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ENVOYS SEE THE PRESIDENT

LIBERIA WISHES TO STOP FOREIGN THREATS

SECRETARY TAFT IS CALLED UPON

New Odd Fellows Building is Dedicated at Philadelphia—B. O. Davis Appointed Instructor of the Tenth Cavalry.

By the National Negro Press Bureau.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 17.—The Liberian envoys, Vice President J. J. Dossen, former President G. W. Gibson and Charles B. Dunbar, of the Liberian bar, together with their secretaries, T. J. R. Faulkner, have been the cynosure of all eyes in the national capital this week.

On Wednesday evening, in company with with Dr. Booker T. Washington, who has evinced a deep interest in their welfare since their arrival on these shores, the envoys were given a cordial reception by President Roosevelt at the White House. Dr. Washington came on from Tuskegee Institute for the express purpose of presenting them to the President, Secretaries Taft, Root, Wilson and other prominent officials of the United States government, and to give his moral support to the important mission which brought them to America's hospitable soil. The conference at the White House began at 9:30 p. m., and lasted over an hour. It will be remembered that the envoys primary purpose in visiting the United States at this time is to invoke the good offices of this government to prevent certain threatened encroachments by England, France and Germany upon their territory. Liberia has been found to be in possession of natural resources of fabulous value and the commercial forces of Europe's most powerful nations are anxious to get hold of valuable outlying strips, with a view of exploiting them to their own advantage, and the Liberians fear that the integrity of their republic is thus endangered. The United States have no legal ground for intervention, but the envoys are appealing for our moral assistance and international influence in inducing England, Germany and France to abandon their policy of aggression. A purpose scarcely second in importance in connection with the future of Liberia is to lay before the capitalists of this country the vast possibilities that lie in the development of that country's boundless resources, the building up of manufacturing plants, and preparing the republic along industrial and educational lines to take a high place in the commercial affairs of the world.

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President Roosevelt listened with the closest attention to the representations of the commission, Vice President Dosen setting forth his case with remarkable clearness and with dignity and diplomatic graceousness. The President appeared to be intensely interested in the vivid description of the rich agricultural and mineral resources of the black republic, and was visibly impressed with the attractive picture painted by the commissioners of the mutual benefits that they thought would certainly grow out of the development by American capital of the broad and productive rubber, coffee, timber and cotton lands of their country. The country has a population of about 2,500,000. Forty thousand are civilized, none are savage, and the untutored natives, led by the intelligent and ambitious element, can be molded into an industrial army capable of making the wilds of Liberia a garden of plenty. Mr. Dossen says with the introduction of modern machinery and the training of the people in industrial and agricultural pursuits, backed by the necessary funds to finance manufactures and mines, Liberia would become one of the most productive spots on the face of the globe. After the usual exchange of courtesies the delegation departed, feeling assured by the President's sympathetic manner and numerous evidences of warm friendship that they had made a favorable impression upon the Chief Executive and that they might expect him to go as far as he could with proper regard for international comity and diplomatic standards.

Still accompanied by Dr. Washington, the party made a call upon Secretary Taft at his handsome home on K street, where a similar warm welcome was accorded them. The Secretary has long been a student of the colonial affairs of the African continent and has given Liberia special consideration as the legtimate child of the United States. He was therefore pleased to greet the Liberian commissioners and in the interview gleaned much information that he regarded as particularly valuable. Thursday, under escort of Dr. Washington, a round of the departments was made, and a call of special significance was made upon Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson. Among the many notables met by the delegation was General Firmin, the famous Haytin patriot, who was in the city on business, in company with his secretary, a distinguished looking young man, with a big mustache. General Firmin, good natured and unusually affable, talked volubly in English with a delightful French accent, and expressed himself as proud of the progress the American Negroes are making along all lines of endeavor.

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Thursday night a public reception was tendered the Liberian envoys at Lincoln Temple Congregational Church. The general arrangements were in the hands of Lawyer Thomas J. Calloway, who so successfully engineered the trip of the envoys to the commencement at Tuskegee Institute a few years ago. The church was tastefully decorated under the supervision of Mr. Henry Lassiter, who is a veteran in matters pertaining to public assemblies. The American colors predominated, and in a conspicuous place; suspended from the ceiling was a large Liberian flag, made especially for this occasion. The edifice was crowded to the doors long before the meeting was called to order. Standing room was at a premium, and the streets adjacent to the church were filled with people unable to gain admission. As the reception was held in connection with a special session of the Washington branch of the National Negro Business League, the preliminary portion of the program was carried on by the officers of the organization, and the newly elected officers were installed with appropriate ceremonies. Retiring President J. A. Lankford called the house to order and introduced the new president, Mr. W. Sidney Pittman, who spoke briefly. Dr. Booker T. Washington was asked to preside over the reception proper, and the "Wizard" came forward amid a burst of applause. Dr. Washington's address was devoted to the mission which brought the envoys to this country, and his indorsement of both the men and their cause was hearty and sincere. Addresses describing their country and dwelling at length upon its commercial and industrial possibilities and pleading for a closer union between the United States and Liberia were delivered by each of the commissioners, and the audience gave evidence of cordial approval of all that was said.

A brilliant musical program was rendered, under the direction of Dr. Amanda V. Gray, choice selections being presented by Messrs. C. Sumner Wormley, Clarence Cameron White, H. Leonard Jeter and Miss Mary L. Europe. Following the public session at Lincoln Temple, a toothsome collation was served to the envoys and invited guests at Gray's finely appointed cafe. The committee in charge of the reception, by designation of the Business League, embraced W. Sidney Pittman, president; Thomas J. Calloway, corresponding secretary; R. W. Thompson, recording secretary; J. A. Lankford, retiring president; and the following prominent citizens: Judge Robert H. Terrell, Recorder J. C. Dancy, Assistant District Attorney J. A. Cobb, Rev. Sterling N. Brown, Rev. F. J. Grimke, Major C. R. Douglass, Whitfield McKinley, Auditor R. W. Tyler, Assistant Superintendent of Schools R. C. Bruce, Henry Lassiter, W. Calvin Chase, Rev. J. H. Welch, Dr. Amanda V. Gray and Dr. William H. Davis.

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On Monday evening the Liberian Commissioners were royally entertained by Judge Robert H. Terrell at his beautiful home, 326 T street, N. W., and a house full of prominent gentlemen were invited to meet them. Judge Terrell, the prince of toastmasters, presided at the impromptu but wholly delightful "speechfest," and a number of addresses, abounding in wit, humor and sound philosophy were delivered by orators of quality. Besides the envoys Vice President Dossen, former President Gibson, Attorney Dunbar, and the secretaries, Branch and Faulkner, there were present ex-Mayor and Attorney R. B. Williams, of New Zealand; Lawyer J. Douglas Wetmore, of New York; Messrs. John C. Dancy, J. A. Cobb, R. W. Thompson, W. L. Houston, Dr. E. D. Williston, H. H. Williams, Wyatt Archer, G. W. Scott, Major C. A. Fleetwood, Craig Williams, Lieut. Walter A. Pinchback, W. Sidney Pittman, Dr. Chas. I. West, Dr. C. Sumner Wormley, Dr. J. R. Francis, Whitfield McKinley, Dr. A. M. Curtis, Prof. R. C. Bruce, T. J. Calloway, Lieut. F. W. Cheak and others.

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Mr. William L. Houston, Grand Master of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows in America, has been to Philadelphia for several days. His mission there was to finally inspect and accept in the name of the order the magnificent headquarters which has been built in the heart of Philadelphia, on the corner of Twelfth and Spruce streets. The ground, building and furnishing represents an outlay of $135,000, and is conceded to be the finest office building owned by men of color in the world. It is fireproof, constructed of steel, granite, marble and terra cotta, rising five stories above the basement, with elevator service and electrical fixtures throughout. The first floor will be rented to merchants, while the floors above, arranged as offices, will be used to conduct the business of the order. The building has a frontage of 120 feet, and is designed upon the most modern type of architecture. It will be dedicated with elaborate ceremonies on July 15, under the auspices of the sub-committee of management, participated in by the Lodges, Households, Councils, Patriarchies and Juveniles of Philadelphia and other places.

For many years the G. U. O. of O. F. has felt the need of new headquarters, and efforts have been made in the past to secure a suitable building, but it was reserved for Grand Master Houston's business administration to give the order a structure which is an ornament to the city, a credit to the race, and an honor to the great fraternity of Odd Fellows.

The Grand Master is being showered with congratulations upon the erection of this massive building, which will be forever a monument to his capacity and ability as a leader of this world-wide organization.

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Hon. Charles B. Williams, a former mayor of the principal city of New Zealand, a foremost member of the bar, and one of the wealthiest men of that faraway country, is in Washington on business and for the purpose of making observations likely to prove beneficial to his adopted land. He has been shown many courtesies by our citizens and leading public officials.

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Mr. Frank H. Hitchcock is very likely to be named as chairman of the National committee. His masterly labors in bringing the nomination to Secretary Taft entitles him to the honor—and more. He is said to be the choice of the genial War Secretary for the place—which ought to settle the matter. Mr. Arthur I. Vorys will, in all probability, be made vice chairman. With Hitchcock stationed at New York and Vorys at Chicago, we may look forward to a campaign that will wake the echoes from the "piney woods of Maine to the tide-swept shores about the Golden Gate."

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Elijah Reynolds, an enterprising Washington boy, brother of Architect T. H. Reynolds and of Mrs. Aaron Bankett, conceded to be one of the most capable officers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, now stationed in the Philippines, has been promoted from quartermaster sergeant to first sergeant. His commission was presented to him in the presence of the full company, and the commanding officer took occasion to pay him a happy tribute to his efficient services. Sergeant Reynolds is fond of army life, and says the faithful colored officer is given a fair chance for promotion when he proves his worth.

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The suggestion that Mr. William Loeb, Jr., be promoted to a portfolio in the Cabinet of the next President meets with the warmest approval at the hands of the colored people of the country, thousands of whom feel personally indebted to him for courtesies on the occasion of their visits to the White House. No man knows the "ins and outs" of public life better than the obliging and talented secretary to the President, and his retention by the Taft administration in such a responsible post as Cabinet officer would be a fitting recognition of his valuable services to the Nation throughout the major portion of President Roosevelt's term of office. He would make an admirable Postmaster General, and, in fact, would administer with credit any chair at the next Cabinet table.

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The National Convention of Congregational Workers among the colored people will be held in Birmingham, Ala., next September. It is thought that Rev. Abraham Lincoln DeMond, editor of the Buxton (Ia.) Gazette, who has been engaged in educational and missionary labors for the past twenty years, and who is one of the most widely known colored Congregational ministers in the United States, will be chosen as president. Rev. Mr. DeMond is a man of fine character and is an executive of force, and would be a tower of strength to the Congregational cause in this country.

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It is undestood that J. Thomas Heflin, the notorious "fire-eating" Congressman from Alabama, who made his name hated by decent people in Washington because of his advocacy of the "jim-crowing" of respectable Negroes in the free territory of the District of Columbia and because of his cowardly act in shooting an unarmed black man for daring to ride in a street car with white people, is to second the nomination of Bryan at the Denver convention. It is to the Democratic party, led by Heflin and his ilk, that the false prophets of the race, who are holding "mass meetings" at Chicago, would intrust the welfare of the Negro for the next four years—if they could have their way. But, fortunately, the rank and file of the Negroes are not fools, and the Waldron-Trotter Negro Democratic alliance will fail.

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It is encouraging to the race and a helpful reflection for the future of the Republican party that the Negro contestants from the South were not "turned down" because they were colored. As a matter of fact, the Taft delegations, which were seated upon absolute proof of their "regularity," in many instances contained more Negroes than the Foraker delegations, which were rejected because of the poor showing made in the pwresentation of their claims. Senator Lodge, a man of the cleanest political record, and hailing from the hot-bed of abolition, Massachusetts, said:

"The great bulk of the Southern cases, which constituted the mass of the contests, were utterly frivolous and ought never to have been brought before the committee. Then, on the other hand, the Taft cases were admirably presented from beginning to end, the arguments were legal, the records were complete, the evidence was full. As a rule, on the other side, in the Southern cases, no facts were furnished. Instead of legal arguments, the committee was compelled to listen to stump speeches that had no bearing on the merits of the cases whatever."

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Major Arthur Brooks is getting the First Separate Battalion of the District National Guard in shape for the joint maneuvers which are scheduled to begin at Forts Hunt and Washington July 26. Prior to the big events down the river the District militia will give a series of regimental drills on the ellipse of the White lot. The First Separate Battalion is announced to appear there for parade and full dress regimental drill on Monday, June 29, from 6:30 to 7:30 p. m. First Lieut. Benjamin O. Davis, of the Tenth United States Cavalry, has been detailed by the War Department as instructor with this battalion during its tour of duty at the joint army and militia coast defense exercises in July. Lieut. Davis is now on duty at Wilberforce University, as military instructor, and is one of the few colored commissioned officers of the regular army. He is a native of Washington, and began his military service as first lieutenant in the Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry shortly after the outbreak of the Spanish-American War. He served two years in the ranks of the regular army, and in February, 1901, was appointed second lieutenant of the Tenth Cavalry. In March, 1905, he was promoted to first lieutenant. He has seen much service in the Philippines, and upon his return to this country was stationed for quite a period at Fort Washakie, Wyo., and afterwards given the assignment at Wilberforce. Lieut. Davis was united in marriage a few years ago to Miss Lydia Dickerson, a charming young lady of this city. There will be many social features attached to the coming maneuvers of the District National Guard.

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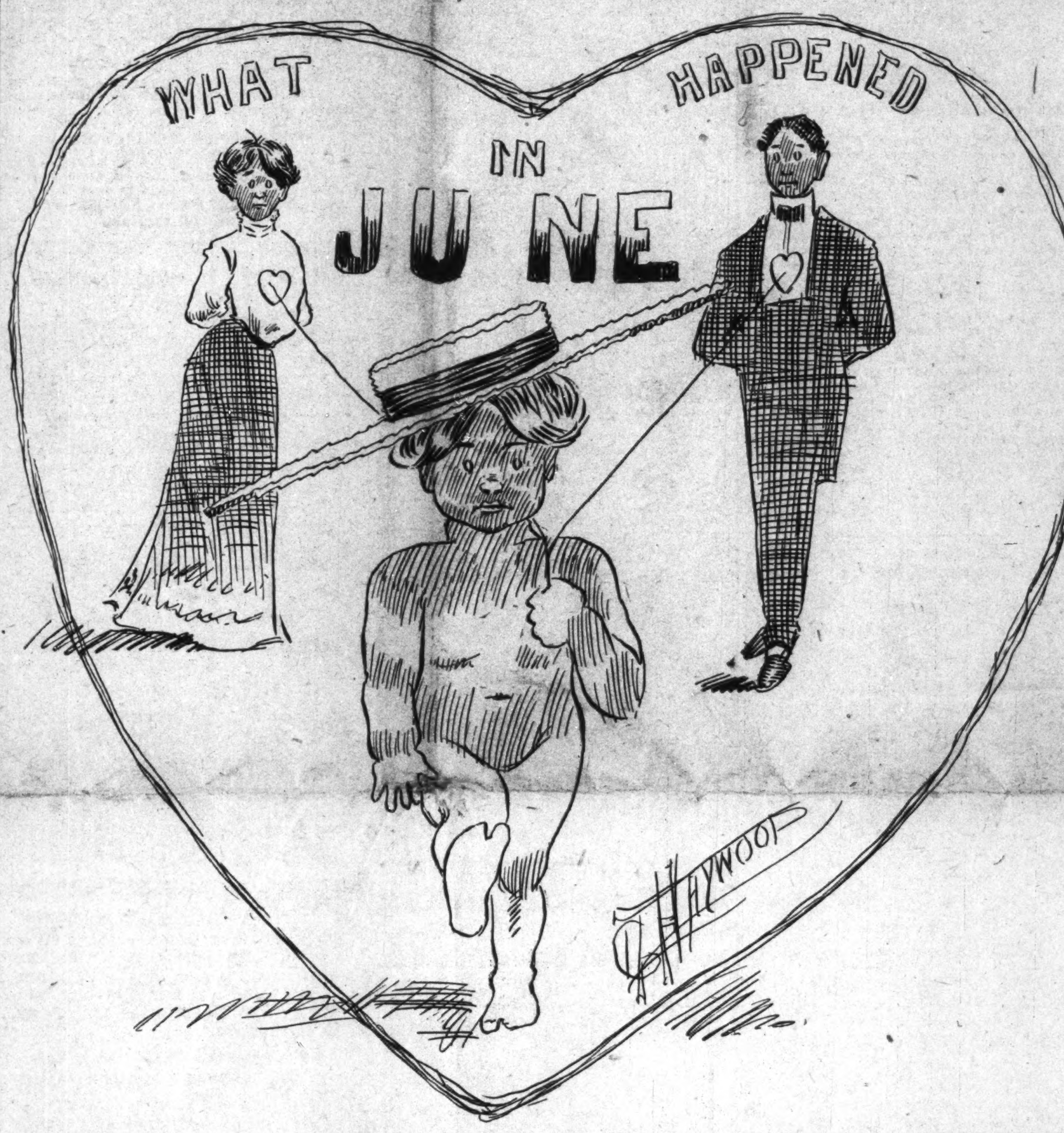
It must be said in this connection that the National committee evinced a high order of generosity and a fine spirit of fair play in splitting the vote of Louisiana between the "lily-whites" and the "black-and-tans" for the sake of party harmony, and to form a basis of party reorganization in the near future. Two Foraker delegates were seated in Virginia because the secretary of the convention had permitted a call to go out to "white men only." This was a square "thrown-down" for the "lily-whites," and the colored voters will give the party full credit for its consistent stand for the time-honored principles of equality for all elements embodied in the Republican household. The liberal attitude of Mr. Hitchcock, when urged by many Republicans to cut loose from the dissatisfied Negroes, will not be overlooked. White Republicans of influence grew disgusted with the nightly meetings held by certain factions of colored politicians, denouncing Taft and "cussing out" Roosevelt, and described their conduct as "insolent" and ungrateful, in view of the great service the party had rendered the race in fighting its battles for citizenship, etc. Mr. Hitchcock, however, in the name of Secretary Taft, vetoed all such suggestions, and made up his mind to stand up for the Negroes as usual, because the Republican party is responsible for the power of the black people, and he felt firmly convinced that the thoughtful element of the race would remain loyal to the ticket when the heat of battle had cooled off. His keen discernment had shown him that the active hostility against Taft had been fomented by a few hot-headed feudists, and real leaders like Tyler, Terrell, Vernon, Dancy, Napier, Anderson, Banks, Mollison, Rucker, Lyons, Lewis, Bush, Chiles, Booze, Gilmer, Lewey, Lee, Morris, Crum, Scott, Grant and others have been able to make it clear that the revolutionists and reactionaries cannot sway the main body of the sensible, patriotic and far-seeing members of the race. The crowd that has been making the fuss is noisy, but not so numerous as their volume of sound would lead the uninitiated to believe, and Mr. Hitchcock is wise in paying no attention to them. He vindicates the judgment of those who pronounce him "the new Napoleon of political managers," by listening to the leaders of genuine power and dealing out even-handed justice to the race, regardless of the bluff and bluster of seekers after cheap notoriety. The Negro masses will give Secretary Taft stanch support throughout the campaign and will be a large factor in securing his triumph at the polls in November. Mark that!



PARIS, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The K. of P. banquet and reception given at the Armory was a brilliant affair. There were several out-of-town guests. The hall was decorated with palms and flags, and the electric lights so shaded as to give a beautiful moonlight effect. Prof. Adams' full orchestra furnished the music, with which every one was highly pleased. C. T. Butler acted as floor manager, and everything was carried out in the best of order. The refreshments consisted of ice cream, sandwiches, pop, etc., served free to the guests....The Children's Day exercises held at the Second Baptist Church proved to be a success in every respect. The program, in charge of Mrs. W. N. Artis, was one of the best seen in Paris for quite a while....Mrs. Maltie Reed, of Danville, was visiting in the city Sunday....Mrs. Ernest Evans has returned to Robinson, Ill....Henry Harris is in the city visiting among friends....Josh Bolan, our popular young blacksmith, has just purchased a fine three-year-old half sister to Dan Patch, 1:55....Henry Bolan, of Ridge Farm, Ill., who is connected with the firm of Bolan & Sons, general blacksmithing and horseshoeing, was in the city, driving one of the nicest looking trotters seen in the city in several days....If everything goes O. K. we will soon have a colored young men's driving club, with Wm. Stull as president....Mrs. Robert Taylor has been elected as delegate to the State Sunday school convention, to be held in Springfield, Ill....Walter Freeman was in the city a short time Sunday evening, on his way to Hoopeston, Ill., where he has built up a nice business for himself. He has taken his brother George in as a partner.....Kit Braboy has opened up a nice barber shop in connection with his pool and billiard parlors.

TERRE HAUTE, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Benson, of Mount Vernon, are in the city....Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Porter, a daughter....Each of the commencements of the city were attended by large crowds. The programs were of high order and every one freely expressed the opinion that the teachers were to be commended for their great work. The graduates of the Lincoln School were Eva B. Porter, Evangeline Harris and Floy Russell. Those from the Booker T. Washington School were Emerson Cabell, Beulah Dinwiddie, Lena Baker and Leona Rucker. Those from the Dunbar School were Edna May Harper, Nellie Ellen Allen and Leonidas Casey Blake....Miss Nevada Jackson has left the city, to enter an embalming school in Chicago....Thursday was a great day for Terre Hauteans in Paris....Quarterly conference at Spruce Street A. M. E. Church, on the 21st....Mr. Coleman is out again....Women's Day at Allen's Chapel was a success in every way.

TEACHERS WILL MEET

EDUCATORS TO COME FROM ALL SECTIONS

LOUISVILLE WILL BE THE HOSTESS

The Minister's Alliance Protest Against International Sunday School Convention—Booker T. Washington to Visit City.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, KY., June 16.—The National Negro Teachers' Association will meet here June 24-26, at the Boys' White High School. It will be one of the most notable meetings ever held in the South. Educators, we learn, are coming here from all sections. From the high-class program arranged and the brilliant and brainy men to appear each day, the association will be most interesting and inspiring. President Lee, of Tuskegee, and Secretary W. L. Ricks, of the local committee, state that it will be an unprecedented meeting. However, the representative of the Freeman extends a welcome to these uncrowned kings and Queens and wish them a most delightful stay. In the State of Kentucky we produce beautiful women, fine horses and pure water. Her school system is one of the best in the South. Many prominent men and women have been fortunate enough to be educated in this splendid system of schools. The schools have been beautified and rooms adorned by beautiful paintings, which is in keeping with the art system which is one of the features of our public schools. It will be a rare treat for the visitor to see these schools, and one going away without seeing them will miss a pleasure that they will regret. Never before has there been such a unity among the teachers to entertain the prominent educators and to make the meeting a success. The pleasant feeling existing is remarkable in that it extends to the children and parents, which it is hoped will be productive of much good, not only to the city pupils, but the districts as well.

The epicurian art is being given much consideration. The Kentuckians are not only noted for furnishing that which pleases the appetite, but the intellect as well. The chefs will be busy during the stay of the teachers, preparing menu suitable for the distinguished guest, but for a King. There will be dinners, banquets, receptions and a trip to Mammouth Cave. Trips will be made to three beautiful parks, named for the Iroquois, Cherekee and Shawnee Indians, that once rendezvoused in our city. Teachers who wish to come in contact with the principal thought of the day should attend this meeting, for never before was there assembled such an array of talented educators. Again, in the name of the Louisville Courier-Journal and Indianapolis Freeman, we welcome you.

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Of all the commencement exercises that have occurred in this city, and they have been many, the Normal class seemed to be more spicy and interesting. The farewell address of Prof. S. O. Johnson was the feature of the exercises. Unprecedented enthusiasm marked the last year of Prof. Johnson, and when he took the opportunity to say the last word he did so with such intelligence and feeling that it brought tears to the eyes of those who had ben under his training, and a sense of sympathy was manifested by all present. Prof. Johnson has been a teacher in the Normal School for nine years, and during the last board meeting he was removed from the Normal School and put in the High School department. President Geo. Wilson and Superintendent E. H. Mark weer among the speakers, and they declared themselves well satisfied with the work of Mr. Johnson. The exercises consisted largely of essays on the work of education and how to be an efficient and progressive teacher. The musical selections, especially the choruses, with Miss Emma Ashford as soloist, added much to the execllence and interest of the evening's program. The music was arranged by Miss Bourgard, supervisor of music of the public schools. It was under the direction of Miss Spratt Brown with Mr. Edward Gleason as accompainist. Diplomas were awarded by Mr. George Wilson, president of the Louisville School Board. The following were given certificates of graduation: Misses Lucile Annis, Emma Ashford, Emma Briggs, Bell Davis, Clara Edwards, Dovie Frazier, Ethel V. Gibbs, Marie Gillard, Mary A. Anderson, Mary Hocker, Ethel B. Malone, Julia Morris, Carrie Patterson, Saddie Taylor, Annie M. Taylor, Bessie Tucker and Francis Wilson.

The Ministers' Alliance, the local organization of colored ministers, has met and passed resolutions protesting against the action of the local committee and advising all their brethern to stay away from the International Sunday-school Convention, which is to meet here June 18 to 23. They characterize the plan as an attempt to "Jim Crow" the Christian brother in black. The Kentucky Standard, a leading colored paper of Louisville, is also opposing what it terms "Jim Crowing" the Negro. The resolutions are very pointed and strong enough to let the world know that they will not participate in a "Colonizing" meeting in the name of Christ.

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The colored children made merry at White City last Saturday. Fully 6,000 children and about 9,000 "grown ups" were there. It was the first time that colored people were allowed in White City since the Supreme Lodge of Knights of Pythias last summer. Because of the rain Col. John Whallen granted them permission to remain at midnight. This news spread like wid fire, and by 11 o'clock Saturday fully 20,000 had passed through the gates. Children gathered at the park about 9 o'clock. All the teachers and principals were also there early. The day was ideal up to 3:30 o'clock, when the storm broke. The crowds gathered suddenly and soon there was a down pour of rain. Notice had been given that if it rained the free-show houses would be opened, and when the rain began these houses were soon filled. Prof. E. H.

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IN THE WOMAN'S WORLD.

BY "DOROTHY"

This column is devoted to the interests of all women and their organizations also. Address all communications to Dorothy, The Freeman Indianapolis, Ind.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

The daily bath.

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Common courtesy in public places.

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The "end-seat hog" is a nuisance to the general public.

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If you do not feel inclined to speak to any one, don't speak, but pass on; don't pretend to do so by a nod or jerk of the head; you might injure yourself.

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Read and learn; find something to talk about besides your neighbor's private business and your own personal affairs.

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Learning the value of being proficient in some one thing is a big step toward success.

WOMEN UNDERTAKERS.

Mrs. Carrie Sules and Mrs. Ruth Dabney have established an undertaking establishment at 32 F street, N. W., Washington, D. C. Both are expert embalmers.

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED.

The Daughters of Liberty of Topeka, Kans., have elected the following officers: President, Emma McNary; vice president, Lydia Garner; secretary, Emma Robb; assistant, Bertie Scott; chaplain, Susan Tellis; assistant, Rachel Clements; sick committee, Lucinda Jordan; marshal, Cora Knott.

A NEW PUBLICATION.

We welcome this past week the first issue of "The Principle," a four-page publication, edited and managed by an enterprising young woman of this city, Miss Clara B. Mays. It promises to be to the point, judging current affairs from principle's standpoint and not from fear or favor. Miss Mays is a bright young woman and not afraid of work. She sets up the type for her paper, and the early morning hours find her toiling in order to complete her task. She has our best wishes for her success, and we trust that "The Principle" will do its full duty and share in the uplifting of Negro humanity.

POSITION AS NURSE.

Miss Emma Jefferies, of Red Bank, a trained nurse, has been appointed as one of the nurses who will have charge of the milk depots in New York City. These depots are to be established in different parts of the city for the purpose of improving the conditions of the poor. The society having these depots in charge is known as the "New York Milk Committee," and will open seven infant milk depots, to be run throughout the coming year. The salary is $75 per month. Miss Jefferies is the only colored nurse employed, and has served in the Ancon Hospital, Panama, employed by the government.

THE F. C. HOME.

The Florence Crittenden Mission, of Topeka, Kans., has purchased a very desirable piece of property near the corner of Twenty-second and Adams streets, eleven lots, six-room house, good well and cistern, cow barn and other outhouses, thirty-two bearing fruit trees. Purchase price, $1,600, $700 cash and the balance in payments. They earnestly hope that the people of the entire State, and not only the entire State, but the West, will with all the generosity of their hearts help them to meet their payments and make the institution what it ought to be. Some things the home will attempt to do for its inmates are:

To train the inmates in cleanliness, neatness and industry; to surround them with Christian influences; to help especially those who desire to lead better lives; to keep an oversight over the girls after they have left the home; to give aid and comfort to the needy and unfortunate; to help the girls leaving the home to secure good positions.

The officers are: Mrs. S. F. Malone, president; Mrs. Van Cleave, vice president; Mrs. E. M. Guy, secretary; Mrs. C. W. Campbell, corresponding secretary; Rev. Pope, treasurer.

SEWING HELPS.

Use double thread for gathering.

Use as fine a thread and needle as the garment will allow.

When threading your needle make the knot on the end broken from the reel.

The rule for frilling is to allow one and a half the length of the edge to be trimmed.

When sewing on a button place the knot on the right side of the cloth directly under the button.

Sewing of hooks is a bugbear to many otherwise good needlewomen, yet nothing is more important to the neat appearance of a gown. Hooks and eyes should always be firmly fastened with a thread that is not too coarse, and the lining should be carefully fitted over them and caught with an extra stitch or two. If this were well done when done there would be fewer loose and gaping fastenings, which at once make a handsome frock look slovenly.

WORRY, SUBJECT TO CONTROL.

Take the great curse of American life—worry. How we wrestle with this giant evil, to be overcome by it again and again! How the little things of experience, the small annoyances, the social snubs, the inconsiderate words of friends, the enmity of those who dislike us, seize hold of the mind, tear and torture it, until we are reduced to a mass of quivering and suffering nerves! Suppose, now, the victim of worry should, on retiring to rest, compose his limbs, close his eyes and calmly formulate in his mind this or a similar proposition: "To-morrow I shall awake with a free, clear conscience, glad in the thought that I can do whatever work Providence assigns me. I will therefore be happy and cheerful. I will be master of myself and will know myself master of circumstances. I will not only be happy myself, but will seek to make others happy." What will be the result? This: Worry will soon loosen its hold on the mind, the world will appear in a fresh guise, and the whole life will move on a new plane.

LAWS FOR HOUSEWIVES MADE BY SERVANTS.

Far-away New Zealand seems to have a domestic servant problem that undoubtedly will excite sympathetic interest among American housewives, as well as those who "work out."

Special Agent Harry R. Burrill, in a report describing the operation of the industrial and conciliation act of New Zealand and the arbitration court created to keep peace between employer and employed, says that the house servants of that colony organized a Domestic Workers' Union, which, through its secretary, sent circulars to housewives, setting out the "claims" of the organization and expressing the hope that their reasonableness would be acknowledged by signing the agreements accompanying the circular letters, which informed those concerned that "by so doing it will obviate the unpleasantness of appearing personally or by agent before the conciliation board or arbitration court."

WORK DAYS AND HOURS.

Following are among the "claims" set forth in a circular:

"The week's work shall consist of sixty-eight hours, to be divided as follows: Work to commence every morning, except holidays, at 6:30 o'clock, and cease on Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p. m., with three intervals of one-half hour each for meals and one hour's interval in the afternoon of each day.

"On Thursdays work shall cease at 2 p. m., with two intervals of one-half hour each for meals.

"On Sundays work shall cease at 2 p. m., with two intervals of half an hour each for meals, but domestics shall, if required, prepare tea between the hours of 5:30 and 6:30 p. m., on alternate Sundays.

"On Wednesdays work shall cease at 8 p. m., with three intervals of half an hour each for meals and one hour interval in the afternoon.

"On Sundays two hours shall be allowed to attend church in the morning.

EXTRA PAY FOR HOLIDAYS.

"Christmas day, Boxing day, New Year's day, King's birthday, Prince of Wales' birthday, Anniversary day, Easter Monday, Labor day and all statutory holidays shall be deemed to be holidays, and work done on those days shall be paid for at the rate of 1 shilling (24 cents) an hour.

"Domestics shall be in every evening at 10 p. m., except Thursday, and on that night at 12 p. m."

TAKING CARE OF THE FEET.

To keep the feet in good condition it is necessary to bathe them three times a week and to look after the nails once a week. If they perspire a great deal, dissolve borax in the water, wash them thoroughly, keeping them in the water fifteen minutes, and wipe dry. This may be done every night before retiring. Dust them in the morning with a powder composed of four parts talcum powder and one part boracic acid, thoroughly mixed. This checks perspiration and adds greatly to one's comfort.

Corns are very painful, and, when they are new, may be removed by rubbing with pumice stone. If of long standing, make a poultice by soaking light bread in vinegar five minutes and bind it to the corn at night. In the morning keep the foot in warm water ten minutes and the corn will be easy to remove. Wearing one pair of shoes in the morning and another in the afternoon rests the feet wonderfully. Nothing is more restful to tired feet than the salt water bath. This is prepared by adding a tablespoonful of coarse salt to a quart of warm water. After they are removed from the water, wipe dry with a coarse towel.

HUSBANDS THE BEST HOBBIES FOR WOMEN.

"The best hobby a woman can have is her hubby."

With this sentiment as the keynote of her address, Mrs. Laura Willoughby Greene opened the annual May breakfast tendered recently by the Chicago Social Economics Club to the women's clubs of Illinois.

The annual breakfast, which is designed to bring club women of all sorts into a closer relationship, was given at the Grand Pacific Hotel, and upward of 700 delegates from all over the State were in attendance.

"Hobbies" was the topic assigned for the three-minute speakers, who were about equal in number to the clubs represented. The advocacy of "hobbies" was wide, and about everything from woman suffrage to domestic gardening was touched upon.

MAN IS MERELY USEFUL.

Man, "mere man," of which despised and downtrodden race only two representatives were present, received unexpected and undeserved prominence from nearly all of the speakers, who held that he was a convenient piece of furniture about a house, being especially useful about "moving day," early in May.

In opening the series of talks, Mrs. Greene presented to the notice of the club women a heroic figure of a hobby horse, done in flowers, and announced that it would be at the disposal of the delegates.

In turning the meeting over to the club representatives Mrs. Greene said:

"Women here astride a hobby,
Tell us honest, 'fess like Bobby,
Tell us what your hobby is;
For, by the good Lord that made us,
Don't you think you can evade us,
For what's one is all our biz."

FROM STOMACH TO SOUL.

The first hobby of the afternoon was presented by Mrs. George Watkins, president of the Federation of Woman's Clubs for Illinois. Her topic, "The Training of the Animal Man," appropriately had to do with the nutritive value of foods and their appetizing preparation. The old-time method of appealing to the soul of man by the stomach was defended by the speaker as being a homely but nevertheless efficacious system.

The president of the Indiana Federation was the second speaker, and discussed the educational work that is being helped by the women of the country. She held that the proper instruction of brides in the management of husbands was one of the principal objects of the club movement, and that such hints had much to do with the domestic destiny of the home.

Miss Willa Smith, the assistant manager of the Topeka Plaindealer, who is spending some time at Denver for her health, is much improved.

Mrs. Nora Wells Shepherd read a paper on "Negro Women in Club Work," at the recent meeting of the Iowa State Federation of Women's Clubs, which was well received.

Miss Eliza A. Turner, granddaughter of Bishop Henry M. Turner, the assistant editor of the Voice of the People, was married last week to Judge M. Leonard Frazier, of New York. They will go abroad in a few weeks.

A MASTERFUL ADDRESS!

Delivered by Dr. J. M. Waldron Before "Citadel" Club.

WILMINGTON, Del., May 29.—Under the auspices of the "Citadel," a Negro political organization of Delaware, Rev. Dr. J. Milton Waldron, of Washington, president of the National Negro American Political League, delivered a strong and forceful address upon "Why the Negro should be Independent in Politics." The address was delivered to an audience of five or six hundred of the most representative Negroes of the vicinity, who cheered again and again every utterance of the speaker with reference to Senator Joseph B. Foraker and his bill for the reinstatement of the discharged Negro soldiers and his strong and manly plea for the rights of the colored man under the Constitution.

Dr. Waldron defended the right of the Negro to bolt the Republican Party if that party deserted its basis principles, and in the course of his remarks, said: "While the Negro complains—and justly so—of the treatment he receives in this country, he does not use all the power in his possession to remedy the evils against which he protests. This is especially true of the political power which still remains in the hands of the race. Had any considerable number of the Negroes in the Southern States 25 years ago voted as independents, or sided with the Democrats, the colored people would not have been disfranchised by legislative enactments. The solid black Republican vote in the South is largely responsible for the solid Democratic vote of the South.

"The threat by the Republican Pary to reduce the representation in the lectoral college and in Congress of those Southern States that have disfranchised the Negro is meeting with indifference by the race throughout the country, for the colored people would not be benefitted in the least by such reduction. The race, everywhere in America is insisting upon a fair and impartial enforcement of the Constitution, and especially, the fifteenth amendment. This amendment guarantees to the Negro the right of the franchise, and its abandonment by the Republican Party has done more than anything else—except the discharge of the Negro soldiers of the 25th Infantry—to call the attention of the colored people of the entire country to the importance of doing all in their power to have the Republican Party make a live issue of the enforcement of the fifteenth amendment."

Continuing, the speaker said, "Unless this is done, the right of the colored people in the Northern and Western States to the franchise would go by default, for it is only a step from the abandonment of the 15th amendment to its repeal." He insisted "The colored people of the country could easily improve their political situation, if they would, for they hold the balance of power in New York, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Maryland, West Virginia, and Delaware, and no party can hope to win a presidential election without these States—a concerted action on the part of the Negro voters in those States will enable the race to carry the coming presidential election whichever way they wish."

He defended the right of the Negro to be independent in politics in a vigorous and logical speech and gave several strong reasons why he should not blindly obey the behests of the Repulican party. "The Negro ought to be independent in politics," he said, "for in this, as in no other way, would the race be in position to vote for the best men and measures of any and all parties and could easily ally themselves with the best white people in every section of America. By being independent in politics, he would be able to secure from the dominant party ample protection for his race, and the largest possible recognition of his rights under the constitution."

"Through political independence the Negro could easily compass the defeat of the dominant party, should that party prove itself corrupt in practice and opposed to the Constitution. In a Republic like the United States, an occasional change in parties is absolutely necessary, in order to insure the rights of the whole people and to prevent the prevalence of corruption and graft. The South needs nothing so much just now as a strong, opposing political party, and if the few colored people who are allowed to vote in that section would become independents, there would soon be sufficient disaffection in the Democratic party in the South to enable the Republicans to build up a party in the South sufficient to defeat the Democrats of the South once in a while."

He concluded with the statement that the disfranchisement amendments of the Southern States would never be repealed until the Negroes in the North and West united and used all of their political power to bring about this result, and made a strong appeal for the men of the race to insist everywhere on a fair and impartial enforcement of the Constitution and especially the war amendments. He reminded his hearers that in contending for a full and fair enforcement of the Constitution they were not only protecting the Negro, but safeguarding the rights and liberties of all the people of this Republic. He advised the Negroes to vote for no candidate for Congress, or for the Presidency, who refused to pledge himself, before the election, to support the Foraker bill for the reinstatement of the discharged Negro soldiers.

NATIONAL NEGRO MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The National Medical Association will meet in New York City, August 25, 26 and 27 of this year. This body is composed of Negro physicians, dentists and pharmacists of this country, with many honorary members living in foreign countries.

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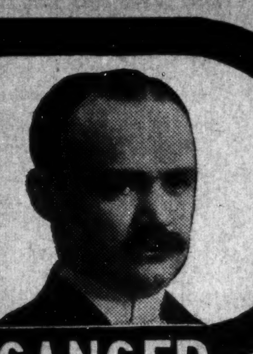

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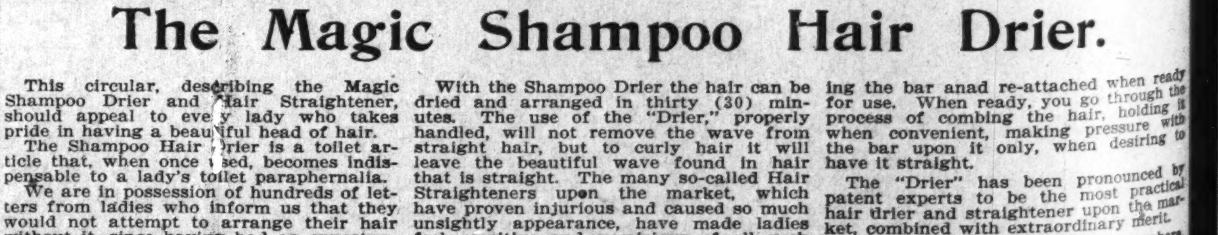

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But under her sudden pallor he was taking fright again, and he began to bolster up his courage with bluster and noise as usual.

"Howl all you like," he jeered. "It won't alter matters or square accounts with Plank. What are you staring at? Do you suppose I'm not sorry? Do you fancy I don't know what a fool I've been? What are you turning white for? What"—

"How much have you"— She choked, then, resolutely, "How much have you—taken?"

"Taken!" he broke out with an oath. "What do you mean? I've borrowed about $20,000. Now yelp! Eh? What? No yelps? Probably some weeps then. Turn 'em on and run dry. I'll wait." And he managed to cross one bulky leg over the other and lean back, affecting resignation, while Leila, bolt upright in her low chair, every curved outline rigid under the flowing silken wrap, stared at him as though stunned.

"Well, we're good for it, aren't we?" he said threateningly. "If he's going to turn ugly about it, here's the house?"

"My—house?"

"Yes, your house! I suppose you'd rather raise something on the house than have the thing come out in the papers."

"Do you think so?" she asked, staring into his bloodshot eyes.

"Yes, I do. I'm sure of it!"

"You are wrong."

"You mean that you are not inclined to stand by me," he demanded.

"Yes, I mean that."

"You don't intend to help me out?"

"I do not intend to—not this time."

He began to show his big teeth and that nervous snickering "tick" twitched his upper lip.

"How about the divorce courts?" he sneered. "Do you want to figure in them with Plank?"

"I don't want to," she said steadily, "but you cannot frighten me by that threat."

"Oh! Can't frighten you! Perhaps you think you'll marry Plank when I get a decree? Do you? Well, you won't for several reasons. First, because I'll name other corespondents and that will make Plank sick; second, because Plank wants to marry somebody else and I'm able to assist him. So where do you come out in the shuffle?"

"I don't know," she said under her breath and rested her head against the back of the chair, as though suddenly tired.

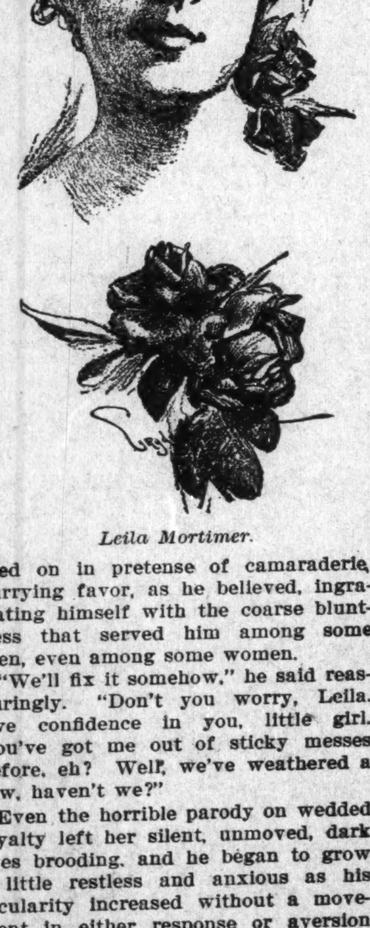
"Well, I know. You'll come out smirched, and you know it," said Mortimer, gazing intently at her. "Look here, Leila. I didn't come here to threaten you. I'm no blackmailer. I'm no criminal. I'm simply a decent sort of a man, who is pretty badly scared over what he's done in a moment of temptation. You know I had no thought of anything except to borrow enough on my I O U's to make a killing at Burbank's. I had to show them something big, so I filled in that check, not meaning to use it, and before I knew it I'd indorsed it and was plunging against it. Then they stacked everything on me—by God, they did, and if I had not been in the condition I was in I'd have stopped payment. But it was too late when I realized what I was against. Leila, you know I'm not a bad man at heart. Can't you help a fellow?"

His manner, completely changed, had become the resentful and fretful appeal of the victim of plot and circumstance. All the savage brutality had been eliminated. The sneer, the truculent attempts to browbeat, the pitiful swagger, the cynical justification, all were gone. It was really the man himself now, normally scared and repentant; the frightened, overfed pensioner on his wife's bounty, not the human beast maddened by fear and dissipation, half stunned, half panic stricken, driven by sheer terror into a role which even he shrank from—had shrunk from all these years. For, leech and parasite that he was, Mortimer, however much the dirty acquisition of money might tempt him in theory, had not yet brought himself to the point of attempting the practice, even when in sorest straits and bitterest need. He didn't want to do it. He wished to get along without it, partly because of native inertia and an aversion to the mental nimbleness that he would be required to show as a lawbreaker, partly because the word "blackmail" stood for what he did not dare suggest that he had come to, even to himself. His distaste was genuine. There were certain things which he didn't want to commit, and extortion was one of them. He could at a pinch lie to his wife or try to scare her into giving him money. He could when necessary "borrow" from such men as Plank, but he had never cheated at cards, and he had never attempted to blackmail anybody except his wife—which, of course, was purely a family matter and concerned nobody else.

His policy of alternately frightening, dragooning and supplicating Leila had carried him so far, and though it was true that this was a more serious situation than he had ever yet faced he was convinced that his wife would pull him out somehow, and how that was to be accomplished he did not very much care as long as he was pulled out safely.

"What this household requires," he said, "is economy." He spread his legs, denting the Aubusson carpet with his boot heels, and glanced askance at his wife. "Economy," he repeated, furtively wetting his lips with a heavily coated tongue, "that's the true solution. Economical administration in domestic matters. Retrenchment, Leila, retrenchment. Fewer folderols."

Leila's head was lowered. He could not see her expression, but he had always been confident of his ability to talk himself out of trouble, so he rambled on in pretense of camaraderie, currying favor, as he believed, ingratiating himself with the coarse bluntness that served him among some men, even among some women.



Leila Mortimer.

"We'll fix it somehow," he said reassuringly. "Don't you worry, Leila. I've confidence in you, little girl. You've got me out of sticky messes before, eh? Well, we've weathered a few, haven't we?"

Even the horrible parody on wedded loyalty left her silent, unmoved, dark eyes brooding, and he began to grow a little restless and anxious as his jocularity increased without a movement in either response or aversion from his wife.

"You needn't be scared if I'm not," he said reproachfully. "The house is worth two hundred and fifty thousand and there's only fifty on it now. If that fat Dutch skinflint, Plank, shows his tusks we can clap on another fifty." And as she made no sound or movement in reply: "As far as Plank goes, haven't I done enough for him to square it? What have we ever got out of him except a thousand or two now and then when the cards went against me? If I took it, it was practically what he owes me. And if he thinks it's too much—look here, Leila, I've a trick up my sleeve. I can make good any time I wish to. I'm in a position to marry that man to the girl he's mad about—stark, raving mad."

Mrs. Mortimer slowly raised her head and looked at her husband.

"Leroy, are you mad?"

"I! Not much!" he exclaimed gleefully. "I can make him the husband of the most run after girl in New York—if I want to. And at the same time I can puncture the most arrogant, the most cold blooded, selfish, purse proud, inflated nincompoop that ever sat at the head of a directors' table. O-ho! Now you're staring, Leila. I can do it. I can make good. What are you worrying about? Why, I've got a hundred ways to square that check, and each separate way is a winner."

He rose, shook out the creases in his trousers and adjusted the squat gold fob which ornamented his protruding waistcoat.

"So you'll fix it, won't you, Leila?" he said, apparently oblivious that he had expressed himself as able to adjust the matter in a hundred equally edifying and satisfactory manners.

She did not answer. He lingered a moment at the door, looking back with an ingratiating leer, but she paid him no attention and he took himself off, confident that her sulkiness could not result in anything unpleasant to anybody except herself.

Nor did it, as far as he could see. The days brought no noticeable change in his wife's demeanor toward him. Plank, when he met him, was civil enough, though it did occur to Mortimer that he saw very little of Plank in these days.

"Ungrateful beggar," he thought bitterly. "He's toadying to Belwether now. I can't do anything more for him, so I don't interest him."

And for awhile he wore either a truculent, aggrieved air in Plank's presence or the meeker demeanor of a martyr, sentimentally misunderstood, but patient under the affliction.

(Continued next week.)

10TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

Of Head and Side Waiters—Officers Elected, Banquet Served.

By W. FORREST COZART.

The tenth annual convention of the head and side waiters, which was held in Fitzgerald Auditorium, Atlantic City, on Tuesday, May 26-29, had an interesting meeting, although the association and its annual conventions are mere shadows of the association in its early career. Speaking of its first evening ession, the Sea Side Press says:

Prayer by R. F. Trusty. Mayor Franklin P. Stoy was then introduced by W. H. Wilkinson of Virginia. The Mayor extended most hearty greetings to the association, which he said he owed to association as well as any who came. He also said the hotel proprietors realized the worth of their men and no other place needed them more than did this city. He also spoke very highly of the association for their good service which helped to make our seashore what it is. In responding, J. M. Butler, of this city, said the words of the Mayor were of truthfulness and honestness, and no other city had the honor of being so well favored by their Mayor as we. Charles O. Marquette, President of the Hotel Mens' Association, made a brilliant address on the disadvantages our men had to go through and were often spoken of as the burly Negro. While he had always found them gentlemen, one of his great pleasures was to go to a base ball game given by colored men. He said he could not give to the proprietor the required service without the support of the waiter man; and should trouble arise, he would be with him every time, all he wanted was truth. Mr. Marquette further intimated that the chefs and housekeepers must be respected (because they are white.) They were further urged to work together. Let harmony reign and success will be sure.

W. F. Cozart, founder of the organization, made an instructive address, saying, "Let every headwaiter be a teacher, every waiter a scholar and every dining room a school. All who heard him were greatly edified.

W. J. Nicholas then gave a brief talk, asking that the women help the men do their duty.

It seems that the association, its influence and popularity has narrowed down to New York City and Atlantic City, with a few supporters here and there. The Eastern clique which has been running the association, some time ago cut loose from the West and to-day the enthusiastic locals that one time existed in such cities as Washington, D. C.; Pittsburg, Pa.; Cleveland, Toledo, Columbus, Cincinnati and Dayton, O.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Chicago, Ill.; Louisville, Ky.; Nashville, Memphis and Chattanooga, Tenn.; Atlanta, Ga.; Birmingham and Mobile, Ala.; Kansas City, St. Louis, Mo.; Dallas and San Antonio, Texas; Denver, Colo.; Salt Lake City, Utah; Omaha, Neb.; St. Paul Minn., and many other Western and Southern cities, in all these cities and others, the association is a dead note.

In the Eastern division, Philadelphia and Boston locals are run independent of the National, although at one time the locals in all the above cities were loyally supporting the National.

The question now arises, what has caused this decline? The answer to the question is, the lack of electing the proper kind of officers, and especially for president and secretary. For these positions men with push and energy and qualification should have been elected.

The association has been allowed to become obscured to the hotel proprietors as well as to the head and side waiters. The admission of the side waiters has not helped very much because, after admiting the side men they were discriminated against and the system of taxation withrepresentation was put in vogue. To this the average waiter objects, and rightly so, for God knows that the average side waiter is far more intelligent than the average headwaiter.

It is believed and hoped, however, that the newly-elected officers will readily build up the association as they are men of worth, but they have an up-hill fight, and the hardest of that fight will be to steer clar of the old ring.

The newly-elected officers are: President, Joseph T. Lee, Hotel Chamberlain, Fortress Monroe, Pa., and Grand Union Hotel, Saratoga Springs, N. Y.; first vice president, Andrew I. Woodlyn, Hotel Chelsea, Atlantic City, N. J.; second vice president, James L. Dickerson, Harvey's, Washington, D. C.; third vice president, William C. Green, Rexmere Hotel, Stanford, Conn.; secretary, J. M. Butler, Atlantic City, N. J.; treasurer, Cornelius Lamar, Brooklyn, N. Y. Members of the board of directors: J. Hamilton Brooks, Hotel Somerset, New York City, and Ft. William Henry, N. Y., chairman; C. C. Randolph, Mohawk Hotel, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Fred Allen, Royal Poinciang Hotel, Palm Beach, Fla., and United States Hotel, Saratoga Springs, N. Y.; Edward B. Ceruti, Union League Club, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Berkley C. Waller, New York City; Joseph Thorne, Atlantic City, N. J.; Edward Huntley, North Carolina; Charles White, New York City; Cornelius Lamar, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Edward Schanks, Portland Hotel, New York City; L. D. Houston, Peninsular Hotel, Searight, N. J.

New York City was selected as the next meeting place. The convention wound up with a banquet which was served in Fitzgerald's beautiful cafe. The dining room was profusely decorated for the occasion, and the table was set up in the form of a "T." The snowy white lining and beautiful vases of flowers and other floral decorations, combined with an elegant bill-of-fare, with so many palitable dishes prepared by the Chef de Quisine, and so artistically served by a well drilled corps of fairest damsels that ever served mortal man, gladdened the hearts of the diners and enabled them to raise their voices in voluptious tones, in speech-making, and while singing, "He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and "Gog Be With You Until We Meet Again." The menu was as follows:

MENU.

Manhattan cocktails, "Ye Bay State."
Maurice River Coves, "The Grand Atlantic."
Cream of Cherrystone Clams, "The St. Charles."
Celery, Olives, Raddishes, Almonds.
Planked Delaware Shad Roe, Sauce, "The Chelsea."
Cucumbers, French Dressing.
Broiled Spring Chicken, Water Cress, "Royal Palace."
Bermuda Potatoes, Asparagus Tips, New Peas.
National Punch, "The Isleworth."
Waldorf Salad ensurprise, "The Gladstone."
Cream and Roquefort Cheese.
Toasted Bent Water Crackers.
Vanilla Ice Cream, Assorted Fancy Cakes.
Fresh Strawberries, "The Loraine."
Cafe Noir, "Haddon Hall."
Cigars and Cigarettes.

HOTEL NOTES.

Butte City, Mont., has three good hotels, as follows: Finlen, Thornton and Butte Hotel. Colored waiters are in demand out there just now.

Mr. J. Hamilton Brooks, of the Somerset Hotel, New York, will be in charge at the Fort William Henry Hotel, Lake George, this summer.

Mr. Chas. Saunders is now headwaiter at the Savoy Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J. Mr. Saunders was formerly second waiter at the Chelsea Hotel in that city.

The Democratic National convention will meet in Denver, Col., July 10, and there will be a hot time in the old town that day, and the waiters will get theirs.

Mr. M. D. Fry, formerly second waiter at the Nelson Hotel, Rockford, Ill., and late of the Illinois Hotel, Bloomington, Ill., is now headwaiter in a cafe at Fairmount Park, Kansas City, Mo.

The white waitresses employed at the Park Hotel, St. Louis, Mo., struck for more wages recently and influenced the cooks to join them. Another reason why waitresses should not be employed.

W. Forrest Cozart, who was in charge of the Cliff House last season, and later opened the New Southland Hotel, at Dallas, Tex., is now at the new million dollar hotel at Cape May, N. J., the Hotel Cape May.

Mr. H. D. Miller, ex-secretary of the Head and Side Waiters' Association, has been appointed third waiter at the Royal Palace Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J., by H. C. Green, headwaiter, and ex-president of the association.

It is rumored that another important change will be made at the Marlborough-Blenheim, and white boys will succeed the eighty-five girls employed in that hotel since they succeeded the colored boys a year and a half ago.

There are about 2,000 colored waitresses employed in the small hotels and boarding houses at Atlantic City, N. J., and those who think that colored girls can't give quick and accurate service should visit Atlantic City once.

Mr. Frank Griffin, one of the leading New York headwaiters, and a prominent member of the National Association of Head and Side Waiters, will be in charge of the dining room at the Mathewson Hotel, Narragansett Pier, R. I., this season.

It is reported on good authority that Mr. S. A. Williams will not be headwaiter at the roof garden of the Wayne Hotel, Detroit, Mich. It is also stated that he will not return to the Park, at Hot Springs, Ark., this fall. 'Smatter, pop?

Mr. A. S. Goudy will be headwaiter at the Gladstone, and Mr. Thos. F. James will be headwaiter at the Imperial Hotel, Narragansett Pier, R. I., this season. These men are well spoken of, and their friends expect to see them make good this season.

It must have been a sad day for the employes at the Midland Hotel, Kansas City, when that famous old hostelry closed recently. Several employes, some of whom had been in the hotel for over seventeen years, shed tears as they bid the old home good-bye.

Mr. D. Girley, a Wellknown side waiter in Buffalo, Philadelphia and other cities, goes to Florida with F. Allen, and also to Saratoga Springs. Mr. Girley is now resusticating in Atlantic City, N. J., and sends best regards to old friends in Memphis.

Mr. John O'Donnell (white), for many years headwaiter at the Chicago Beach Hotel, and formerly headwaiter at the Burnett and Gibson House, at Cincinnati, O., has purchased a hotel in Chicago and retired as headwaiter at the Beach to become proprietor.

At last San Antonio, Tex., is to have a new modern hotel, and it will be about seven stories high and will be run on both plans. The hotel is to be ready by January, 1909, and has been leased by Mr. Sovereign, proprietor of the Hotel Sulphur, at San Antonio.

The many friends of Geo. Banks, the efficient second waiter at he Royal Ponciana, will be pleased to know that he has completely recovered from the six weeks' illness, which attacked him while in Florida the past winter. Mr. Banks attended the Head Waiters' Convention at Atlantic City recently.

It goes without saying that every waiter in Chicago was a full-fledged Republican during the National convention and worked that end of it for all it was worth. The same will be true at Denver during the Democratic convention, at which time Republicans will be hard to find.

The head and side waiters went on record as opposed to Roosevelt and Taft until those important dignitaries give the colored soldiers justice, and the majority of colored voters say amen. The farsighted politician who puts his ear to the ground, will no doubt hear a strange, but distinctive rumbling.

Mr. James Crawford, who served as waiter at the Cliff House, Manitou, Col., last summer, and who cut quite a dash among the fair sex of the West, is at present located at the Oliver Hotel, South Bend, Ind. Mr. Crawford contemplates spending the summer at Atlantic City or some other seacoast resort.

The hotels and waiters have been reaping a harvest this week, in Chicago, during the Republican National convention. The business men of Chicago paid $100,000 for the convention, and it was a good bargain at that. But the men who hustle while they wait also got theirs. Hurrah for the nominee.

The famous old Burnett House, at Cincinnati, famous for the number of headwaiters employed since Mr. O'Donnell retired, in 1889, has a new headwaiter in the person of Mr. R. Pannell. Mr. Pannell was long an officer at the Homestead, Hot Springs, Va., and a member of the Head and Side Waiters' National Association. Mr. Pannell is also a shorthand writer.

Mr. C. H. Mason is now headwaiter at the Cathorn Hotel, Mobile, Ala., where he succeeded Mr. N. H. Singley for the summer season. Mr. Mason was formerly at the Louisville Hotel, Louisville, where he made a great hit. Going West, Mr. Mason was engaged as headwaiter at the Broadwater Hotel, at Helena, Mont. The editor wishes Mr. Mason success at the Cathorn.

As stated in these columns some weeks ago, Mr. N. H. Smiley, well known as headwaiter at the Hyde Park Hotel, Chicago, Superior Hotel, West Superior, Wis., and several other first-class hotels, is now headwaiter at the Cliff House, Manitou. Mr. Smiley served two seasons as headwaiter at the Cliff some years ago. It is said that Mr. Smiley is quite a diplomat, and wears a broad smile that always captivates the guest.

The white waitresses employed at the West Baden Hotel, West Baden, Ind., struck recently for an increase of three dollars per month, and the hotel management was forced to pay the same. A few years ago the colored waiters employed at the Baden at that time went out on a strike, being led by a few hotheads who had nothing to lose. As a result of that strike waitresses were put in their places. We hope that history is now ready to repeat itself.

Mr. Thomas Taggart, proprietor of the French Lick Hotel, French Lick Springs, Ind., is a busy man these days, being the chairman of the Democratic National committee. Mr. Taggart was for many years proprietor of the Grand Hotel, at Indianapolis, during which time he proved to be the best friend in the hotel business to colored employes. The colored people showed their appreciation of same by electing him Mayor three successive terms, although Indianapolis is a Republican city.

The National Manufacturing and Supply Company, a private enterprise, floated by some of the late officers of the Head and Side Waiters, at Atlantic City, N. J., has failed after an experience of nearly two years. While the enterprise was a legitimate one, it is unfortunate that the men elected to promote the association should enter into a private enterprise and seemingly use their official position, time and energy to promote a private business at the expense of those whom they were elected to serve.

Mr. W. E. Murray, a well-known Western white headwaiter, who has made a specialty of working colored waiters, is now headwaiter at the Chicago Beach Hotel, at Chicago. It was at this hotel that the late E. T. Montgomery became so well known as a dining room commander. Mr. Murray was formerly at the Hotel Worth, Ft. Worth, Tex., and a club at Ft. Worth. He was also headwaiter at the Cadillac, Detroit, Mich., last year, resigning there to become headwaiter at the new Rome Hotel, at Omaha, Neb.

One of the Chicago hotels has established a rule to pay waiters a salary on the merit plan. The longer the waiter remains in the service the more salary he receives, good deportment and continued service being the basis of his salary. This is a good plan, and, if adopted in general by the hotels, will do much to prevent the constant changing of employes from one hotel to another. As a headwaiter the editor heartily approves this system.

THE FREEMAN furnishes more hotel news to its readers than any other race paper. Are you a subscriber? If not, why not?

The colored waiters of Kansas City, Mo., are intelligent, energetic and full of race enterprise. They have a well-equipped club in that city, where all the waiters make their headquarters. Any waiter found worthy can become a member and stockholder. In this event most of the waiters have more or less stock in the company, and thus they spend money with themselves, and instead of making a saloonkeeper rich, they are making themselves rich. The officers of the club are: Al Rogers, president; H. Patten, secretary, and Walter Fisher, manager. The club is located at 1022 Wyandotte street.

At the time of going to press the great National Republican convention is in session, and all indications point to the nomination of Secretary Taft on an early ballot, not, however, without opening many wounds and causing serious dissatisfaction, which will keep the spellbinders busy during the campaign. But now that the nomination is made, it is our plain duty as loyal Republicans to let bygones be bygones and all work for victory in November. There is no denying the fact that 75 per cent. of us were opposed to Secretary Taft before the nomination, but now we are all for the nominee, it matters not who he may be.

A correspondent now traveling in India is giving interesting news of the hotels of that country, where currie is the ruling flavor among the East Indians. In India the chief cook is known as the "Khansamah," and in the cities of Bombay, Calcutta and Lahore the Khansamah is "it," and, as the correspondent says, "looks upon the white man as his natural prey." Asparagus is one of the chief delicacies of the East Indian market, consequently its price is continuously on the rise, which makes it a luxury enjoyed only by the rich. Apples, owing to their scarcity, are also luxuries. As pastry is not popular in India, there are few bakeries. The chief meat is fowl, which is retailed at about 8 cents and usually cooked with curries and red pepper. Eggs are also generally used, cooked into omelets for dinner and supper and boiled for breakfast (chotta hazri), which is served very early. Eggs sell two for one cent. Beef is almost unknown, but fish is plentiful. Bananas and pineapples are the chief fruit.

Race Gleanings

Sidney Allen and Wilson Brown, contractors, of Red Bank, N. J., are meeting with much success.

The Teachers' Institute of Central Missouri is now in session at Sedalia, Mo. The Board of Education appointed C. C. Hubbard as conductor.

The first anniversary of St. Thomas Episcopal Mission, at Red Bank, N. J., was celebrated last Sunday, conducted by Rev. A. E. Jensen and Lay Reader P. A. McDougall.

Georgia has 15 Negro industrial schools; North Carolina, 14; South Carolina, 12; Virginia and Mississippi, 9 each; Alabama and Tennessee, 7 each; Arkansas, Florida and Louisiana, 6 each.

One hundred Negro soldiers of the West African Regiment will illustrate West African life and bush warfare at the Royal Naval and Military Tournament at London. They created a sensation by marching through the streets barefooted from Waterloo to Olympia.

The General Education Board, at its meeting in New York, made grants to educational institutions that amount to $750,000. The following Negro schools were in the list: Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., $12,000; Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va., $10,000; Tuskegee Institute, $10,000.

The Colored Porters' Union and Protective League, No. 12662, of East St. Louis, Ill., meets every first and fourth Monday night in the month. The present officers of the club are: J. W. Turner, president; Joe Senoc, vice president; Wm. Morton, secretary and treasurer; L. Sewell, recording secretary; Chas. Collins, sergeant-at-arms; Estus Wells, H. Hoard, John Jiles, trustees.

R. E. Pharron, of Birmingham, Ala., is one of the leading contractors of the country. He erected the following colleges: Furgeson Academy, Abbeville, S. C.; Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Ga.; Geter Building, Jacksonville, Fla.; Pierce residence, Marianna, Fla.; Yancy residence, Colley residence, Storer residence, Johnson residence, Wilson residence, Rotholy residence, Colored Pythian Temple, Masonic office building, Central Alabama College, Miles Memorial College and Miller Memorial Church, Birmingham, Ala., and at this time he is erecting the First Congregational Church at Atlanta, Ga.

MAYOR-COUNCIL MUST PAY.

Fifteen citizens of Alton, Ill., including Mayor Beall, all of whom were members of the Council ten years ago, must pay Illinois $2,503.53 as the cost of the court contest started by the refusal of the School Board ten years ago to admit the children of Scott Bibb, a colored man, to the public schools. The decision was handed down by Chief Justice Hand, of the State Supreme Court. The School Board was appointed by the Council, so the members of the Council were held responsible. Bibb won the case recently, but his children are now grown.

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The programs were great; so were the prices.

And suppose Representative Heflin seconds the nominating speech of Mr. Bryan, would that be satisfactory to those that are in for a row?

Some autumn days, but it is poor wind that does not blow somebody good. Some one enjoys these delightful sea breezes we are getting.

Mayor Bookwalter is congratulated on his ascent into great, big politics. He always had the making in him. Now look out for him in the future.

The Japanese would not count for much were it not for their ingenuity. What is conceded them has been won. The Negroes might profit by the example.

There is no reason why more purely Negro communities should not flourish in America. Our country is particularly favorable to such opportunities.

Owing to what has transpired at Chicago the question of reduction of Southern representation in Congress threatens to break out fresh at the next assembling of that body.

Mr. Gurley Brewer, of the Indianapolis contingent of colored men, was heard from. He was seen and heard making a noise for Vice-President Fairbanks, showing no mercy to Taft.

Indianapolis did not get the National Republican Convention, but it got something just as good—it got the Thirty-second National Saengerfest des Nord-Amerikanischen Saengerbundes. Now isn't dasz sehr gut?

An industrial association is one of the new moves contemplated. The community idea is a part of the scheme. A cheerful move of the kind would mean respect in two ways—from the white people, among the Negroes.

"Blind Tom" was reported dead at the Jamestown flood, after which a Negro woman identified a body as the wizard of the pianoforte, but he was yet in the flesh. Some one went so far as to erect a small monument over the remains on which was inscribed the name of Wiggins, "Blind Tom's" real name.

The Western Association of Negro Editors put themselves on record with the advanced race thought of the day. They especially commended the work of Booker T. Washington, Bishop Abram Grant and Register Vernon. The school, the church and the arena of politics are noted at their best.

Michigan and Wisconsin are about to declare legal war over a strip of territory claimed by either state. The disputed territory has been under the jurisdiction of Wisconsin since 1846. It makes a fine question from a legal standpoint. The question of priority of claim or squatter sovereignty will be battled out in the highest court in the land.

Secretary Taft gave an audience recently to a delegation representing the Negro posts of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the District of Columbia, who asked that a site be reserved in the national cemetery at Arlington for the erection of a suitable monument in special commemoration of the Negro dead of the civil war.

The decision in the matter is not known at this time. The significance is this friendly call, while many Negroes at Chicago were protesting most vigorously against all things Taftish.

Vice-President Fairbanks took it easy enough during the great hubbub in Chicago incident to the selection for President. At the request of the managers of the Y. W. C. A. he took part in the ceremonies of the cornerstone laying last Sunday of the building being erected by that organization. Among the things he said was: "The community which takes thought of the welfare of both the young men and the young women concerns itself with its best interests. It matters not how imposing the material evidence of our greatness may be, we are but mean and miserable if the great body of our people are not sound in those finer and gentler qualities which grace the most advanced civilization."

Indianapolis was rigged out in festal attire this week, appearing as she never has appeared before. The occasion was the Thirty-second National Sangerfest of the North American Singing Bands. Decoration everywhere; flags, streamers and even pretensious designs, welcome the singers and the thousands of strangers that came to see and to hear. Long since thousands of Indianapolis singers had been rehearsing choruses to be sung in co-operation with the "meister" singers from all parts of the country. Among these were some artists of world-wide reputations, including Walter Damrosch, the renowned wielder of the baton; Mme. Schuman-Heink, Mme. Marie Rappold, David Bispham and Adolph Muehlman.

The festival was held in the splendid new auditorium building recently erected at the State Fair Grounds, where thousands were delighted with the great musical demonstration.

A New York paper suggests a novel use for pickaninnies. It describes a scene as follows:

"Their greedy eyes eagerly fixed on two plump little pickaninnies, the crocodiles and alligators in the New York Zoological Garden were decoyed from their winter quarters in the reptile house to the cool and shady tank just outside the building.

"It was a keeper's idea to bait the saurians with pickaninnies, knowing their epicurean fondness for the black man.. So when two small colored children happened to drift through the reptile house among the throng of visitors he pressed them into service.

"The two crocodiles and all but four of the twenty-five alligators wobbled out as quickly as they could after the ebony mites who darted around the tank just as the pursuing monsters fell with grunts of chagrin into the water, disappointed at not getting their prey."

It is thought that the saurians are not averse to a bit of human food at times. It is not known that they draw the color line; we rather think the good, rich, luscious, fruitful look of the little Negro boys were more tempting morsels than little white boys. If such be the case, some consideration is due the carnivorous reptiles for their discrimination based merely on taste. Don't know that there should be a sacrifice simply to appease the appetites of the living toys of the New York Zoological Garden, since there are so many other ways in which the pickaninnies might be employed.

HOT TIMES IN CHICAGO.

Something has been doing in Chicago in Negro political circles. What has happened there within the last few weeks is no more than what has been anticipated by The Freeman. How could conditions have been very much different? When the Negroes insisted on breaking with the administration over an incident in army affairs, taking the President to task, and in a manner not calculated to inspire respect, what could have been the consequence? It was the natural thing for the government to stand "together," and on the same theory as applied to great concerns and institutions. This does not deny the right of appeal, the praying for consideration, redress and the rest of it, but which should be of the utmost respectability—the polls are the place for war! Nothing short of a spectacle has been made out of the race incident to the soldier business. Some racial traits have been developed, and which we dare say were the unlooked for, the unexpected. Whatever we may think of that, we all know by this time that the question has not been without influence in the contest for nomination for the presidency. And if the threatened battle comes off, supporting Democracy as a matter of revenge, it may as well be put down that some form of retaliation will be forthcoming. But, happily, the great mass of Negroes are undisturbed. It is those on the tiptop surface that seem wrought up in the matter, and more than likely the fishes and loaves are some part of it.

The following observation in the Chicago Tribune will give some idea of the situation. Perhaps in instances the report is colored in order to make it good and readable, yet in the main the story may be credited. It was in part:

Dr. Cress Sounds War Cry.

The outburst was started by Dr. Henry C. Cress, a Chicago physician, and while its spirit was carried along by those who followed him, it was he who shouted the war cry of black man against black man.

After branding the Negro officeholders in the Southern delegations as "the bread brigade," and declaring that none of them had influence with the race as a whole, he shouted:

"We must mark those men!"

"They are marked," cried some one in the audience.

"They are? Good," the speaker replied. "The men who betray their race must pay the penalty with their lives. We must organize. We must have a Ku-Klux Klan!"

Howls of approval answered him.

"We are looking for men. If we call you, will you answer?" he asked. "If we call you at midnight, will you come?"

"Yes, I will! I will!" came scattered replies.

"If we call you morning, noon or night you must come," he continued. "There's only one place worse than this, and if you don't wake up that place will be transferred here. It is here now. You know what General Sherman said about war? This is war.

"Suppose I get killed. I don't care if it will help the cause of the black man's freedom. Do you remember how Moses threw aside his royal ring, forgot his royal foster parents and struck for the freedom of Israel? Can't you do it?"

Again, near the close of the meeting, Dr. Cress showed signs of admitting the possibility of violence as the outcome of the present situation.

"We're going to make tomorrow night," he declared. "Bring every man you can to the meeting. We are going to make a lot of Negroes from the saloon districts of the South, who have been brought in here to aid Taft, leave town. We aren't going to drive them out. We'll make them want to leave."

Dr. E. L. Gillam, a Methodist preacher of Cleveland, after denouncing the "unrighteous course of the nation," declared that "extraordinary conditions require extraordinary measures," and that the present condition is "unparalleled in the history of the country." He expressed a desire to stand on a mountain peck and in a clarion voice gather around him the friends of the black man for the organization of a new party.

Would Scuttle Republican Ship.

W. F. Henderson, of Indianapolis, declared that "the great ship of Republicanism must be scuttled." He held that this action should be preceded by a warning to the convention that the "pirates" in charge of the convention must not nominate Taft.

Dr. J. Milton Waldron, of Washington, D. C., followed this with a promise that if the Negro vote couldn't be "jumped all at once to the Democracy a bridge would be built so that the gap would be crossed in two jumps."

"We're fighting against national disfranchisement right now," he cried. "They may have us down, but they haven't got us tied. I may be down on the ground, but they won't tie me. I'll bite, and kick, and scratch until I die. Blood may flow, but I'll not permit them to rob me of my rights."

BLIND TOM, DEAD.

"Blind Tom," the famous Negro musician, marvel of three generations of playgoers, died recently in Hoboken, N. J., where he had been living for years in retirement and subsisting on charity.

Thomas Wiggins is the name given in his burial certificate, but the surname was one which the famous pianist adopted. He was born a slave near Columbus, Ga., about 1850.

In early childhood, Tom, who was born entirely blind and more than half idiotic, showed himself remarkably imitative, frequently stealing into the house of his master to reproduce on the pianoforte pieces he had heard played by others. In 1861 he became so proficient on the instrument that he was taken to New York and exhibited as a phenomenon and later was widely heard in the United States and Europe.

Most people that knew of Blind Tom thought he was dead long since. Notice of his death a few days ago will set at rest the dispute concerning him. In his day, before his idiocy took such a malignant form, he made very much money for those having him in charge. He was in no way competent to take of his own interests; he knew the piano only, and that in the sense of a mimic. His other faculties , one might say, perished in favor of the one of retentiveness, or failed to develop owing to the predisposition for memory and that of musical sounds. We did not hear the great blind prodigy, but think his fame rested on his ability to produce the master tones or the leading tones of those compositions he is said to have played after once hearing them. These leading tones he supplied with a harmony of lower tones as a result of an inborn knowledge of thorough bass very similar to that entertained by most Negroes, but of course much more developed. By supplying, it is not meant that he could not reproduce much of the bass he heard; rather think he could reproduce much of the bass, and most especially the dominant tones, but doubt very much if he could execute the couplets, thirds, fourths and the rest of them with unerring precision. This is no sense detracts from his performances, which were indeed marvelous, and furthermore because it was not ability as conceived, but an abnormalism amounting toa disease. How far it was possible for him to imitate faithfully is the object of inquiry—whether nature could attune an individual so fine "even of one string" that he could catch the varied and intricate combinations of tones possible to the musical art.

Much has been seen in print concerning the prodigy, where it has been maintained that he could reproduce to a note what was played even by professional people. However, the professional side has not been heard from; their views more than likely will accord with those advanced here, holding that it is humanly impossible to faithfully reproduce the more intricate masterpieces of the great masters.

TUSCUMBIA, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The New Era Woman's State Convention held their tenth annual session at the First Baptist Church, last Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. J. L. Crockrell is president, and she delivered her annual address. Mrs. S. L. Duncan, of Montgomery, Ala., and Mrs. Virginia Patton, of Bessemer, Ala., delivered addresses. Papers were read by Miss Georgia Morris, Bessemer; Mrs. M. L. Priest, Mrs. M. R. Burdell, Mrs. Mollie Smith, Mrs. Annie Bently, Mrs. L. E. Scott and Mrs. Emma Jerry. The Rev. A. C. Morris, Birmingham, Ala., the Rev. T. J. James, Rev. V. B. James, Bessemer, and Rev. Wm. Carter were among the speakers....James Simpson, the proprietor of the Simpson Park, has accepted a position with the new restaurant near the depot. Call on him.... We wish to mention a few of the leading business men of Tuscumbia: Dr. A. W. Davis, our leading physician, conducts a first-class drug store; Flenn Fort is proprietor of a first-class barber shop; H. C. Rowan conducts a pool room, and he is a great admirer of THE FREEMAN; Sherman Bradly, one of our popular barbers, can be found at Mr. Toney's grocery store; Dock Moon, practical watchmaker and jeweler, is doing a nice business; Geo. W. Minor, our undertaker, is kept quite busy in his line....Aaron Walker, a deacon of the First Baptist Church, departed this life Thursday, June 11. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. F. Walker and Father Cross....Rev. E. E. Newell, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, preached an excellent sermon Thursday night at the First Baptist Church....Mrs. Malinda Johnson departed this life last Thursday. Her funeral was held at the C. M. E. Church, conducted by Revs. C. J. Nickolls and E. E. Newell. She was a member of the Household of Ruth....Mrs. Virginia Patton, of Bessemer, Ala., was a delegate to the convention. Tuscumbia is her old home, and her many friends were glad to see her....Mrs. Wass Ross is now keeping house at her lovely home....Mrs. Simpson, the mother of James Simpson, is ill....THE FREEMAN can be found on sale every week at the People's Drug Store. Price, 5 cents a copy.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

On last Saturday morning, from 2 a. m. until 3:30 a. m. our city was visited with an electric storm. The Second Baptist Church, on the corner of Tenth and Charlotte streets was damaged about $5,000 by lightning striking the steeple.... The Sunday-school Convention convened here last week....Bishop Grant has been returned to the Missouri Conference.... The A. M. E. Presiding Elders Council met last week in Kansas City, Kan....The funeral of Miss Ethel Love, who died last Thursday, was held Sunday afternoon from Allen Chapel....Grand Master B. K. Bruce, of the W. B. F. & S. M. T. of this state, was visiting here last week....The Monarchs played the Smeltyiers (a white baseball team) last Sunday. Our boys won by a score of 10 to 1. A large crowd was present....On the 10th of this month the Compton House was sold to Mr. Louis Wood and will hereafter be known as the Hotel Woods....The Jubilee Singers, who have been rehearing for four weeks at the above hotel, left Saturday morning. ....The commencement exercises were held Friday evening of last week at 7:30 at the Central School. A large crowd was out and the program was good and well rendered....The water got so high in the bottoms last Thursday that nearly every one had to move out. The water was to the second floor before one of our colored brethren would give up. It rose still higher, but has begun to go down....Lewis Woods left for Chicago last Sunday night to attend the convention....Frank Neial, J. D. Brown, Bradford, Lenored, Vaughn, Lewis, Hall, Thomas, the three Johnsons and several others of the old Midland waiters are now working at the Baltimore Hotel.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Sunday, June 14, Rev. Elzey preached his initial sermon at New Hope Church. He is quite an intelligent speaker....Rev. Dr. Boisson, the new minister at the Episcopal Mission, has taken charge, and is an able young man....Capt. R. A. Byrd attended the National Republican convention....Messrs. C. B. Davis and Penick, two promising men of Petersburg, passed through the city Monday, en route home from Indianapolis, Ind., where they spent last Sunday. They are well impressed with that city....Now that the Republican National convention is over, the State and county campaigns will become interesting. If the Deneen adherents carry this county, they will be "it," and that very thing is probable....One of the finest receptions tendered a minister since the one given Rev. T. L. Smith, four years ago, was given Rev. S. C. Manuel, at Union Church, last week. Prominent men appeared on the program and made excellent talks....St. Paul Church is doing an excellent work along the religious and the material progress lines....To-morrow the Tabernacle will hold their annual memorial services....The Household of Ruth held their annual memorial services last Sunday, at St. Paul, at 3 o'clock p. m. A good program was rendered and a goodly number was out....The soldiers have begun to mobilize....The candidates in this county are getting so numerous that they are hard to keep track of....Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brown, of Fifteenth and Kansas streets, are people worthy of note. They have a lovely home, valuable property, and are energetic young people. They made their start by hard and constant work....Mrs. C. A. Brown, of 1208 South Sixteenth street, has a most beautiful garden. This shows that it pays to not be lazy....Get a copy of THE FREEMAN for next week....Geo. Barksdale has worked up a good barber trade. He is a business man and can be found at his place. THE FREEMAN can be had there. ....Remember, THE FREEMAN is on sale at 815 East Washington street....Mr. Evans has sold his furniture store to Jas. Sims. Mr. Sims desires your patronage. He is quite an amiable and business-like man....Bert Singleton, Mrs. C. D. Cootman and Mrs. Rhodes, who have been quite sick, are convalescing....R. S. Donaldson, who has been quite ill from an attack of typhoid malaria, is recovering slowly....Capital City Lodge, K. of P., meets at Masonic Hall every second and fourth Monday.

ELMIRA, N. Y.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Joseph Thompson spent last Wednesday at Mosherville, having taken an automobile party there for the day.... Miss M. Mae Thompson entertained on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Thompson, Miss Amelia Hill, Mr. H. J. Booker and Master C. Brown....Mrs. Jessie Brown is out again after a week of illness....Mrs. Lousia Condol is ill at her home in Southport....Mrs. Eddie Morris is spending some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hawkins....The Casino Club gave a dance on last Thursday evening which was largely attended....Mr. and Mrs. Asa Adams are nicely situated at their new home on East Clinton street....Rev. E. L. Buller preacher at the Baptist Church on last Sunday evening, which was largely attended....The Jolly Six have a picnic at Eldrich Park this week, Thursday.... The Bethel A. M. E. Church is preparing for a series of concerts this week, with a soldiers' drill the first evening and grand tableaus the second night....Rev. E. L. Buller preached a very fine sermon at Zion Church on Sunday morning, which was largely attended....The quartette of Bundy's Ministrels, who are playing at Eldrich Park, rendered several beautiful selections at Zion Church on Sunday morning....Mrs. Stephen Clark is entertaining her cousin, Mrs. Demming....Mr. Louis Brown spent Sunday at Waverly....Rev. A. B. Moreton preached a very able sermon on last Sunday evening which was largely attended....Zion A. M. E. Conference opens on Tuesday, June 16, at Binghampton, N. Y. Mrs. Mildred Goodman has ben sent as delegate....Mrs. Ira Green is still very ill at her home....Mr. and Mrs. Janes Drake, Jr., are moving on East Hill.

CORAOPOLIS, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

John W. White, of Monessen, Pa., was visiting friends and relatives in town during the week....Miss Lucy Crockett, of Sharon, Pa., and Mrs. Christian, of Brownsville, Pa., were the guests of Mrs. J. T. Teamor during the week....Langdon Swann, of Newcastle, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Swann.... Mrs. Alice Johnson and Mrs. Castle entertained the Ladies' Aid Society of St. Paul's A. M. E. Zion Church, Thursday, June 11, at the residence of Mrs. Beatty. The visitors present were: Rev. and Mrs. Stout, M. A. Stout, Mr. and Mrs. Parks, Mr. Chesney, Mr. J. Anderson and Mr. J. Freeney....Joseph Viney, of Pittsburg, Pa., was visiting friends in town during the week....Mrs. Joseph Ferrell attended the soiree given by the North Side Choral Society, Thursday, June 11, at the residence of Mrs. Thornton, Long street, North Side, Pittsburg....The lawn fete given by the Afro-American Political Club Saturday was quite a success....Miss Jeannette Johnson, of Glen Ocean, Pa., is the house guest of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Brown....Harry Quarles, of Philadelphia, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Quarles, of Main street....Mrs. R. B. Allen, of Cleveland, O., is visiting Mrs. Sutton during the week....William Teamor, who has been very ill, is somewhat better. ....At St. Paul's A. M. E. Zion Church, Rev. V. L. Stout, pastor, preached at 11 a. m. and at 8 p. m. to large congregations....At the New Hope Baptist Church Rev. J. L. Saunders, pastor, preached at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m....At the Mt. Olive Baptist Church Rev. J. Tibbs, pastor, preached at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. ....Mrs. John B. Anthony, who has been quite sick, is improving....Mrs. Alfred Moore spent Saturday in Rochester, Pa., visiting friends....John J. Payne arrived from Lexington, Ky., to spend a few weeks with his mother, Mrs. Payne, of Fourth avenue.

MT. VERNON, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Gippie Hancock has returned to her home in St. Louis, after a few weeks' visit in the city with relatives and friends. ....Mrs. Mary Picket and two daughters, Minnie and Mable, of Maymee, Ill., are visiting John Bell and family....Tobe Pippin, of Princeton, Ind., is in the city, visiting....Miss Pearl Woods, of Evansville, is in the city, visiting her mother, Mrs. Geo. Phillips....The Tabernacle will have the annual sermon next Sunday afternoon at 2 p. m., at the A. M. E. Church. ....Rev. Davis, former pastor of the Missionary Baptist Church, spent a few days in the city this week with friends....Mrs. Mattie Felton attended the commencement in Evansville last week....Miss Mary Richie, a teacher, of Evansville, is in this city, visiting Miss Tillie Hosman.... Frank Ramsey took in the excursion to St. Louis Saturday night....Miss Pearl Woods is better and able to be up.

ERIE PA.

Special to The Freeman.

Sunday, June 21, will be celebrated as Woman's Day at the St. James A. M. E. Church. A special program has been arranged by the women of the church for each service....Clarence C. Kittrell will attend the celebration of St. John's Day of the Masonic fraternity, at the Bethel A. M. E. Church, Pittsburg, Pa., Sunday, June 21....Mrs. Jefferson and her two sons, of Kane, Pa., were in the city last week, and attended the funeral of Mrs. Florence Avler....Mrs. Clara Williams has been elected delegate to the Sabbath school convention, which will be held in Franklin, Pa....The Young People's Forum of the St. James A. M. E. Church are holding interesting meetings. Alonzo Williams is president; Miss Edna Blackburn, vice president; Miss Ruth Baxter, secretary; Earl Lawrence, treasurer; Miss Bella Clarke, critic....Rev. Holly is in the city in the interest of the Industrial Institute of Albany, N. C....Mrs. Purnell, of Niagara Falls, was in the city to attend the funeral of her daughter, Mrs. Florence Avler....Mrs. Florence Avler, of 446 West Second street, departed this life Monday evening, June 10, at 11 o'clock. Funeral services took place from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. John Drew, and were conducted by the Rev. M. A. Hunter. She was a faithful, earnest and devoted Christian worker, also an energetic worker in the Perseverance Club and Friendly Society, both being connected with the St. James A. M. E. Church. Mrs. Avler leaves to mourn her loss a loving mother, a devoted daughter, a little grandson, one son and a host of friends.

LOCKLAND, O.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Odd Fellows of this city held their annual services at the Methodist Church last Sunday, together with the lodges of Cincinnati, Hamilton and Glendale. Gray's Band furnished the music and an excellent program was rendered.

FLINT, MICH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Children's Day will be observed at the A. M. E. Church, June 21....Dr. W. H. Taylor has purchased a new Ford automobile....S. West and son Earl are visiting in Detroit for a few days....Frank L. Wells has resigned as chief of police, and is now in the race for sheriff....H. L. Butler, of St. Louis, Mo., expects to locate here....A. C. McCall has been appointed chief of police. A. C. is a good fellow.... W. S. Fields has returned to Detroit.... Frank Green, one of our popular policemen, has his eagle eye out looking for sheriff....Mrs. Bessie Perry has returned to Grand Rapids, after visiting her sister, Mrs. W. Lyons, who is very ill....On September 1 the people don't want to forget that Daniel Heims is a candidate for prosecutor....Mrs. Hattie Pinkeny, of Grand Rapids, is visiting Mrs. L. Walker, of Harrison street....John H. Tyler, who looks so much like Lincoln, is a candidate for judge of the Probate Court....Some time during Saturday night a party by the name of Hayes was drowned in Flint river. His clothes and pay check were found on Sunday morning lying on the bank, but his body was not found for several days....Rev. S. Drake, of Ontario, is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. Richerson, of East Tenth street....Ira G. Ormsbee has announced his candidacy for Representative of the Second district....Mr. E. Proctor has gone to Detroit to live.... W. O. Parkhurst is another one of the many candidates for sheriff.

SAVANNAH, GA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Edward T. Black, superintendent of Mt. Zion Baptist Sunday school and messenger of Rose Walker Fountain 2693, G. W. O. T. R., is confined to his bed with malarial fever.

SPECIAL TRAIN TO LEXINGTON.

On June 21, 1908. Round trip, $1.50. Train leaves First Street Depot at 8 o'clock sharp. William Bennett manager; S. G. Bibb, assistant manager.

WAXAHACHIE, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The public school closed with three night concerts, which were largely attended....Mrs. Lucy Johnson died suddenly last Tuesday night from heart trouble.... Mrs. J. D. Love, Mrs. Cora Hillman and Mr. Willis Jefferson are ill....Rev. W. M. Wade, after spending about two weeks here, left for his work at Hubbard City. ....Mrs. Mattie Gordon expects to spend the month of June in Dallas....If you want THE FREEMAN, see G. W. Bruce, 129 Aiken street....The Oak Lawn Public School turned out three graduates this term, as follows: R. E. Burnett, J. W. Tildon, Jr., and Miss M. L. Richardson, under Prof. P. E. Goldthwait, principal. ....Rev. J. H. Frieson preached for Rev. C. H. Bell last Sunday morning. Subject, "Prayer." Rev. Bell was ill....Mrs. Georgia Beauford, of Italy, was in the city Monday, visiting friends and relatives....Mrs. C. I. B. Childs spent last Sunday in Dallas....Miss Martha Alexander, after spending some time with her brother-in-law, Dr. C. S. Diggs, and her sister, has gone home....Mrs. Lillie Cobb is back from Mineral Well, Tex.

The next session of the Joint Council of Bishops will be held in Louisville.

TEACHERS WILL MEET

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Mlark, school superintendent; Dr. George F. Simpson, Dr. Samuel Myers and a number of other trustees were present and saw that the children found shelter. Prof. A. E. Meyzeek, W. H. Perry, Samuel Taylor, Steve Bell, Miss Lucy DuValle, Prof. S. O. Johnson and other principals were there to look after the wants of the indigent pupils. The children took in all the sights and never before were they so happy. It was a great day for the colored children and many were heard to exclaim that it was the pleasant day of their lives.

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John Shanks and Bory Collier are now on a vacation.

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Mrs. Mamie Walker and son, W. L. Walker, of Bowling Green, Ky., is the guest of her brother, Mr. L. Loving, 1024 W. Walnut street.

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Mrs. E. L. Stone, of Indianapolis, Ind., is in the city visiting her relatives and friends. She is the guest of her father-in-law, Dr. E. S. Stone.

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Mrs. Minnie Harrison McFee is spending a few days in French Lick, Ind., the guest of Mrs. John Thomas. She will remain there several weeks.

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Miss Lelia McFarland, of 1108 W. Chestnut street, who has been very ill, has just returned from a visit to French Lick Springs much improved.

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The Young Men's Progressive League Club has arranged to give a moonlight July 6. An effort is being made to carry a large crowd up the beautiful Ohio.

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William Winstead Mesinger, of L. & P. Canal, was accidentally thrown out of his buggy and considerably bruised and sprained his wrist, but is able to be out again.

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Miss Sadie Smith, the daughter of the late Dr. S. E. Smith, of Lexington, Ky., and a student of Fisk University, is in the city doing stenograph work for Miss Nannie Burroughs.

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Mrs. Jenne Harris, entertained at dinner Sunday Mrs. C. A. Rives, Mrs. Tille Baker, Messrs. J. L. V. Washington and J. P. Dueson, in honor of Mrs. Susie Liverpool, of Chicago, Ill.

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Mrs. Bates, of W. Walnut street, gave a reception last Tuesday night in honor of Mrs. Liverpool, of Chicago. The guests were entertained with fine selections by Prof. Tobe Brown's orchestra.

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"The Black America," a troupe of well-known performers, held forth at the new Masonic Theater this week. It was under the management of Clark Brothers and Walter Tinsley. They hope to give more performances.

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Miss Louise Mautice Glass, of Hopkinsville, Ky., is in the city the guest of Miss Daisy Glass, of W. Chestnut street. Miss Glass is having a delightful stay and has been well received by the young society people of the city.

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Mr. A. B. McAfee, Mr. W. H. Mc Whorter and Mr. W. H. Leonard, left Sunday night to attend the National Republican Convention. They are well-known Kentuckians and they expect to make "Rome howl" when they return.

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LINCOLN POMADE CO., AURORA, ILL.

The Freeman representative is in receipt of an invitation of Mr. Howard Huffman, treasurer of the Lotus Club, Indianapolis, to attend their first annual outing at Spring Lake Park. We are very grateful for such kind remembrance.

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Mrs. Mary Finley, 336 E. Green street, was buried last week in the presence of a large number of friends. She was the mother of Howard Finley, a well known hotel man. The funeral was under the direction of J. H. Hathaway.

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Mr. George Slaughter will have charge of the sale of the Indianapolis Freeman at the National Teachers' Association. Teachers wishing to order the paper for the year or the edition containing the "doings" of the association, can be served by Mr. Slaughter.

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Miss Jennie Estell and her mother, of Lexington, Ky., are in the city attending the commencement of the Central High School. Much interest has been centered around Miss Sadie Walker, their neice, who is the salutatorian of the class. The commencement occurs on the Thursday night of this week.

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The Galt House Social Club had its Annual Sunset excursion June 8 on the newly renovated steamer Columbia. The following were among the distinguished guests: Misses Clara Harris, Olivia Miles, Dr. Blackburn, Jessie Moorehead, Prof. Green, of Chicago, manager of the Pekin Theater, Chicago.

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Mrs. Robert Hall, of Chicago, was in the city last week the guest of Mrs. C. H. Parrish, 945 Sixth street. Mrs. Hall spent several days at Eckstein-Norton Institute, Cane Springs, where her son had been attending school. She also attended the annual commencement exercises of the institute, which was held last Friday night at the Masonic Theater.

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Miss Stella Bernice Windsor, a charming and winsome teacher of Guthrie, Okla., is in the city attending the commencements. She will remain as a guest of Miss Georgia A. Lattimore, of 1504 W. Walnut street, until the National Teachers' Association. She will also join the party that is to take a trip to Mammouth Cave June 26. Miss Windsor is very pleasing and attracitve and has made a host of friends while in the city.

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At last glad news comes that the New Carnegie Library is soon to open. It has been completed some weeks, but the colored people had to wait until the main white library was open before the branch could be opened. Fro mall reports there can be secured any book desired if the request is made of the libarian. The structure is a handsome one and is generally appreciated by the masses of the colored people. Mr. T. F. Blue is librarian and Mrs. Rachel Harris and Miss Elizabeth Finney assistants.

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The citizens of New Albany and Louisville have a visitor, Mr. J. D. Green, of the Pekin Theater, Chicago. He is the guest of Dr. Morris Blackburn, of New Albany. Mr. Green has met a host of old friends and has been dined and wined by the leading lights of both cities. He attended the public school picnic last Saturday and the eyes of 10,000 people were turned on the uncrowned stage manager and playwriter. While here he is composing songs, and after several weeks visit to French Lick, the guest of Mr. Ervin Slye, he will go to New York. The Freeman representative hopes to get an interview from the distinguished visitor before he goes East.

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All the Pythian lodges of the city joined in yesterday's services to commemorate the life and character of the late Samuel W. Starks. The services were held at Ashbury church, Ninth and Walnut streets, and a large number were present. Mr. C. L. Jones acted as master of ceremonies and the augmented choir of the church furnished music. The principal memorial addresses were made by Past State Chancellor J. V. W. Washington, Cary B. Lewis and Mrs. Mary V. Duff. Mrs. Harris, of the Court of Calanthe, sang beautifully, "Face to Face." The church was appropriately decorated in white and black streamers, flowers and potted palms and on the alter stood a life-size picture of the laste S. V. Starks.

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As has been formally announced through the columns of The Freeman, the Hon. Booker T. Washington will speak at Masonic Theater June 23. The speaking will be under the auspices of the Eckstein Norton Institute, of which Dr. C. H. Parrish is president. The people of Louisville has always welcomed Dr. Washington and he has a large number of warm-hearted friends in this city and state. The Courier-Journal and other papers of this city have spoken loud and long of the great work he is ding at Tuskegee. It was the Louisville Times that sent us there two years ago to "write up" the Tuskegee Anniversary. Louisville welcomes Dr. Washington and also Mr. Emmett J. Scott, who has a host of friends in this section.

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The Jefferson County Normal School closed this week at True Reformer's Hall, where it has been in session for three months. The school has been under the direction of Prof. C. C. Monroe, of Lexington, Ky., and its progress has been phenominal. The aim of the school was to instruct teachers in the common branches and to prepare them to pass county school examinations. Instructions were also given for those wishing to make a state certificate to teach. On Monday night the school held its closing exercises and a fine program was given by many of the students connected with the school. Prof. C. C. Monroe spoke on the subject, "What Is So Rare as a Day in June." It was brilliantly and philosophly discussed and it merited a great deal of applause. A number of musical selections were given. On the next afternoon a picnic was given at Cherokee Park.

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While the commencement exercises proper of the Eckstein Norton Institute were held at Cane Springs, Ky., last Wednesday, the final exercises of the institute weer held last Friday night at Masonic Theater. Many of the audience were present to hear the principal speaker of the evening, the Rev. Dr. E. L. Powell, pastor of the First Christian Church (white). He began his interesting and instructive talk by quoting the preamble of the constitution. He spoke of the difference between liberty and freedom. He took up the things that made for happiness and real life. He urged self-reverence, self-knowledge and self-control. He spoke at length on what might be accomplished by eternally practicing "I can," "I ought" and "I will." He told the graduates to let these ideas get a grip on them. "Stand for truth. Let your life be that of purity, righteousness, industry and you will be men and women of character," said the speaker. A number of musical selections were given and Miss Annie Prosser, of Knoxville, Tenn., who sang several operatic selections and led the folklore chorus. The Rev. L. G. Gordan, of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, delivered a short but captivating address which was full of encouragement. Dr. C. H. Parrish, president of the school, presided at the meeting and presented diplomas to the following: Ruth Richardson, Corrie C. Baker, Hunley B. Dickerson, Henrietta Dyle, Gertrude V. Floyd, Beulah B. Cross and George Peyton. A reception was given the graduates at the Calvary Baptist Church, of which Dr. C. H. Parrish is pastor. The institute was presented with a flag by Mrs. Vienna Parker and Alice Lawrence, as a token from the Ladies of the G. A. R. of the Kentucky and Tennessee Department.

CARY B. LEWIS.

THE STAGE

B. Ferris, of Waxahachie, Tex., has joined the Sells-Pluto Shows.

George Boutle, the singing and dancing comedian, is spending some time in Mason City, Ia.

The Aeolian Singers, of Staunton, Va., are meeting with much success throughout the State.

Happy Howe and White have just closed a successful engagement of twelve weeks with the Moore Family. They send regards to all friends.

The Classic City Quartette, of Atlanta, Ga., composed of Edgar Smith, Thomas Holland, Frank Spike and Ed Trambell, are doing some commendable work.

Tom Logan, stage manager for the Smart Set, the past season, is improving rapidly at Mercy Hospital, Philadelphia, from an operation recently performed.

Clarence C. White, the well-known violinist, made his farewell appearance June 19 at Bethel A. M. E. Church, New York City, before going to Europe, where he will further his violin study.

G. W. H. Jones, the great magician and ventriloquist, late of the Funny Folks Comedy Company, will be seen this season with a complete change of program. Regards to Florida Blossoms and friends.

The Egglestons, L. Gordon and Richmond V., are making much success in their refined musical act. This week they are appearing at the Smith Pavillion and Park, Columbus, O. Regards to George Taylor, Roy Pope, Tim OOwsley and the Spillers.

Bert Williams has several new songs with which he is making Eastern audiences fairly go wild. They are "The Right Church, but the Wrong Pew," and "In the Summertime, Yes, and the Wintertime, No." George Walker is featuring "Bon, Bon Buddy."

The Thompsons—Lizzie and Thomas—are with Bohamen's Minstrels, en route with the U. S. Amusement Company. Mrs. Thompson is singing "Won't You Be My Honey?" while Mr. Thompson is answering with "Who? Me? I Am Not the Man," and cleaning up. Regards to all in profession.

Great McAllen, the world-renowned colored slack wire artist, will be seen this season with a complete change of his act, all new and original feats, presenting that death-daring feat, looping the loop on a small steel slender thread, the first time this feat has been before the public and performed by him only. He can be found at Jacksonville, Fla. Regards to all professional friends.

A TESTIMONIAL FOR ERNEST HOGAN.

A big testimonial will be tendered Mr. Ernest Hogan, the celebrated comedian, by a large number of performers, Sunday evening, June 21, at the West End Theater, at 125th street, near St. Nicholas avenue, New York City. It is stated that a great many prominent comedians, singers—in fact, the highest class people in the business—will appear on the bill, not only colored, but whites as well. The committee on arrangements include Williams and Walker, Cole and Johnson, Jesse Shipp, Alex. Rogers and Lester A. Walton, which gives much assurance of a splendid entertainment from both an artistic and financial standpoint.

NEW YORK BENEFIT A SUCCESS.

The Aida Overton Walker benefit for the Industrial Home for Colored Working Girls, at New York City, Wednesday eevning, June 3, at the Grand Central Palace, was one of the largest attended that was ever given in that city. It is estimated that there were between 4,000 and 5,000 in the audience on that night, and the success of the entertainment was due to the efforts of Mrs. Aida Overton Walker ad D. E. Tobias. The program was the strongest ever given in New York, such persons as Williams and Walker, R. Henri Strange, Cook and Stevens, Henry Troy, Abbie Mitchell Cook, Harrison Stewart, J. F. Mores and J. Adolphus Haston taking part.

FRED S. MILLICAN'S COMPANIES IN ENGLAND.

Fred S. Millican's Mammoth Minstrels are meeting with much success at Liverpool and Manchester. They gave a show on board the "Haverford" en route, in honor of Capt. Enoch Maddox, in aid of Seamen's Charities, May 11. The companies are as follows:

Mr. Billy Arnte, stage manager and principal comedian, Millican's Minstrels, No. 1, New Brighton Tower, Liverpool, England. Ladies—Mrs. Gracie Arnte, Mrs. Mamie Clemens, Mrs. Alice Butler, Mrs. Mamie Winters. Gentlemen—W. L. McMullen, Mose Harris, Frank F. Morton, Homer Butler, Geo. H. Booth, Joe Butler, Alexander Valatine, Richard Jackson, T. Toliver, M. W. Walker, Mr. Albright, A. C. Barrow, Frank Clemens, Geo. Winters, Mathew Colbert, Allison Walker, Leonard Fisher, Willie Carrey.

W. S. Levard, stage manager and principal comedian, Millican Minstrels, No. 2, at White City Theater, Manchester, England. Ladies—Mrs. B. Levard, Miss Bettie Jackson, Miss L. Stevenson, Mrs. Alma Brown. Gentlemen—Ted Redman, Chester Meyers, M. H. Brown, William Jackson, William Brown, Alex. Parker.

ABOUT PERFORMERS YOU KNOW.

—By Charles D. Marshall.—

Andrew Tribble is laying low these days, and it is almost impossible to even think of what he will do next, but you can look out for almost anything wonderful from "Andy."

Now they are saying that Gus Hill is to control colored theaters in Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Baltimore and several other large cities. Well, if he should, we will have the support in large numbers for him.

Billy and Gracie Arnte, "the South Carolina Sunbeams," are doing extra well these days across the big pond, putting before the public an up-to-date singing and dancing act. Everybody knows how Billy can sing. Last week he sent to this office two pictures showing himself and wife in new style poses.

Those Bon Bon Buddies double sextette, of the Williams & Walker Company, they say, are a dream, and will prove as popular as the "Floradora" people. They are: Maggie Davis, Ida Day, Kathlyn Jones, Bessie Vaughn, Jessie Ellis, Lavinia Rodgers, Mat Housley, Charles H. Hall, Erskine Bell, William Moulton, Frank Bain and Henry Proctor.

Did you ever notice what a vast difference there is between the Pekin chorus and others seen with the average company of to-day? They are a busy set from the time they enter the wings until reaching their dressing room. You certainly have to move wonderfully fast to be a "Pekin Pony"—that is, one who moves with a vim in an artistic way. No wooden people need apply.

Fidler and Shelton spent all last week here and had a happy time of it. Home folks seemed more than glad to see the two high-class artists, as they never tired of wining and dining them at every opportunity. "Fid" is featuring a song called "Put a Smile on Yo' Countenance," which is said to be "setting them wild." There are few vaudeville teams on the road that have established such a reputation in one season as have "those two boys from Indiana."

Williams and Walker have selected their vaudeville offering almost entirely from "Bandanna Land." Mr. Williams is singing a new song, "In the Summer Time, Yes; in the Winter Time, No," which is liked immensely by Eastern audiences. Walker is wearing two very swell new suits, and his fancy stepping accompanying the final song, "Bon Bon Buddy, the Chocolate Drop," is great. Williams also figures in this song number, and his efforts to follow the nimble stepping of George cause much laughter.

Mr. J. Ed Green, director of amusements of the Motts houses, has left the Windy City for New York, where he will further his studies in dramatic art. One thing remarkable about Mr. Green is that after writing and rewriting nearly twenty-five plays, mostly of his own composition, he does not feel himself any too well up in that line to continue before gaining all the knowledge possible in that profession. There is a great lesson in that idea of preparing ourselves thoroughly for that position we intend to follow. There are a number of writers and performers who, after making a hit once, see no reason to improve themselves.

Miss Marguerite Ward, a popular chorus lady, with the "Bandanna Land" Company, has developed into a prima donna, it is said. At the benefit given by Mrs. Aida Overton Walker for the White Rose Industrial School for Colored Working Girls, at New York City, June 3, Miss Ward sang one of Mrs. Walker's former successes, "It's Hard to Love Somebody Whose Loving Somebody Else," in a way that surprised some of the best critics in New York who were in attendance. Some say she sang like the words of the song had some weight upon her mind. When she had finished singing she remarked: "Don't you fear; why, little folks can sing as well as big folks."

PETE HAMPTON AND BAUMAN MAKE BIG HIT.

On June 2 Pete Hampton, the old-time favorite, and Bauman visited the town of Oldham, England, for a week's engagement, and took the town by storm. According to the comment of the various English papers, they have been setting all England wild. In the columns of the Oldham Daily Standard, of the issue of Tuesday, appears a nice account of their act and travels. The Standard is one of the strongest dailies of England, and it is considered by all performers a large mark of credit to receive any favorable mention from its columns. Following is the notice:

"Patrons of the Hippodrome this week will be delighted with the fare provided for them. The company is excellent, and includes Hampton and Bauman in a vocal scene, 'Down in Kentucky.' They are duetists of fine ability, and fully deserve their place at the top of the bill."

In another column of the same issue it has this to say concerning their record::

"The two colored artists, Hampton and Bauman, who are proving such a huge success at the Hippodrome this week, are well known by music hall audiences practically all over the world. They are natives of America—the gentleman being born in Kentucky and the lady in Ohio. They have now toured England for five years, and during that time their reception everywhere has been phenomenal. When on tour they do not stop at distance, but go to any and every country. Africa, Germany, Russia, India and Asia are some of the lands visited by these accomplished artists. On one occasion, whilst fulfilling a two months' engagement at the Alhambra, London, they had the honor of being commanded to appear before his Majesty, King Edward, which they did at Buckingham Palace. They will be well remembered by Oldhamers by reason of their only previous visit to the town. This was at the Empire, in the 'Dahomey' show. They are both acceptable vocalists, musicians and dancers."

"BLIND TOM" DIES IN NEW YORK.

On Sunday, June 14, one of the greatest musicians, or marvels, of three generations of play-goers died in Hoboken, N. J., in the person of "Blind Tom," or Thomas Wiggins, but the surname was one which the famous pianist adopted. He was born a slave near Columbus, Ga., about 1849. In early childhood, Tom, who was born entirely blind and more than half idiotic, showed himself remarkably imitative, frequently stealing into the house of his master to reproduce on the pianoforte pieces he had heard played by others. In 1861 he became so proficient on the instrument that he was taken to New York and exhibited as a phenomenon, and later was widely heard in the United States and Europe.

About three years ago "Blind Tom" visited Cleveland, O., for the purpose of giving a concert. At that recital there were something like a thousand in attendance. In the audience sat some of the best known musicians in that part of the country, several of whom were called upon to play the most difficult piece they had in their repertoire, and when they had done so "Blind Tom" would give a correct imitation of each player, to the delight of all. It was always noticed that after rendering a piece he would rise from the piano and make applause for himself in an amusing way by patting on his hands lightly. At that particular concert he showed much feebleness and nervousness at the times he was not engaged in playing, but appeared to have a remarkably good memory. He was good for a funny joke or a rousing incident most any time the reporters called upon him. Of course, he had his "off times." There were times when his mind would almost be a blank and others when he would talk at random, but when he returned to himself you found him full of wit and humor. His imitation of a thunder storm and the battle of Gettysburg were the most perfect and realistic pieces ever performed before any audience by a master.

P. G. LOWERY'S ENTERPRISE.

P. G. Lowery & Co. were royally entertained June 14 at Menomonie, Wis., by Ben Gillam and West Brown, warm friends of the Beechams and Garlands.

Jack Johnson met his old friend, Rufus Rutherford, at Menomonie, Wis., and he left not a single stone unturned to show P. G. Lowery's Company a royal time.

Fred Garland, trombone soloist, has purchased a new Hentshel trombone, and he recommends the instrument without hesitation.

Hattie Garland is justly termed the Aida Overton in the circus vaudeville world.

Jack Johnson is well satisfied with P. G. Lowery.

John Edwards is filling the warm seat left by Paul Carter, and Chas. Beecham is doing credit to Billy Arnte's end.

Miss Estella Phillips is fast becoming a favorite. Her appearance, voice and good nature are all redeeming features.

Barefield, the wonder bass, is doing fine on his monster BB.

A. Victor's orchestra is the best in the circus business. Why? Because he has Tom May, second violin; Wm. Bolden, cornet; Geo. Hill, clarinet; Fred Garland, trombone; Billy May, bass, and Jno. Carson, traps.

Wm. Bolden sends regards to Frank Miller, of Joliet, Ill., and hopes to hear from him soon.

They say Billy May has been with P. G. Lowery for fifteen years. That's long enough to be on the pension list.

Elvis Mason is holding a prominent position with the Wallace & Hagenbeck circus.

In the wheel of P. G. Lowery's Progressive Musical Enterprise we find Henry Rawles, Jas. B. Hall, Wm. Jones and Blanche Beecham are all strong spokes.

UNION GIANTS TAKE ALL.

A. B. C.'s Lose Saturday and Both Sunday Games.

The Union Giants of Chicago came to Indianapolis, met the famous A. B. C.'s, and left, victorious in all games. The score for Saturday was as follows:

A. B. C.'s.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Reeves, r. f.	0	0	2	0	0
Johnson, r. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Herron, c. f.	0	0	2	1	0
Shawler, l. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Merida, 2b.	0	2	2	2	0
Board, 1b.	0	1	14	0	0
Allen, 2b.	0	1	1	7	0
Gatewood, s. s.	0	0	1	0	1
Bishop, c.	1	0	5	0	0
Higbee, p.	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	1	5	27	10	1

GIANTS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Pryor, 2b.	1	0	0	1	0
Ramsey, l. f.	3	1	2	0	0
Green, c. f.	2	1	2	0	0
Robinson, 1b.	2	2	9	0	0
Primm, c.	1	2	7	1	0
Newbern, r. f.	1	2	1	0	0
Hutchinson, s. s.	1	2	4	2	1
Young, 2b.	0	1	1	5	0
Talbott, p.	0	0	1	1	0
Totals	11	11	27	10	1

A. B. C.'s..........0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0—1
U. G.'s..........2 0 0 3 2 0 3 0 1—11

Innings pitched—By Higbee, 9; by Talbott, 9. Base hits made—Off Higbee, 11; off Talbott, 5. Bases on balls—Off Higbee, 3; off Talbott, 1. Struck out—By Higbee, 5; by Talbott, 3. Wild pitch—Higbee. Hit by pitcher—Bishop. Two-base hits—Merida, Board, Higbee, Robinson, Primm (2). Three-base hit—Hutchinson. Home runs—Green, Robinson. Stolen bases—Reeves, Bishop, Ramsey (2), Green, Robinson. Passed balls—Bishop, 4. Umpire—Adams. Time—1:30.

On Sunday the home team hoped to reverse the count. The first game was called at 1:30. The Giants won, 7 to 3, and took the second 8 to 4. Herron got a three-bagger in the first game and Pryor got one in the second game. A record-breaking crowd saw the games. Score:

A. B. C.'s.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Allen, 3b.	0	1	0	2	0
Herron, c. f.	2	2	1	0	0
Shawler, l. f.	0	0	4	0	0
Merida, 2b.	0	1	1	6	0
Gatewood, s. s.	0	0	0	0	1
Board, 1b.	0	0	12	0	0
Bishop, c.	0	0	6	0	0
Brown, r. f.	1	0	3	1	0
Johnson, p.	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	3	4	27	10	1

GIANTS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Pryor, 3b.	0	1	0	0	0
Ramsey, l. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Green, c. f.	0	1	0	0	0
Robinson, 1b.	0	0	13	0	2
Primm, c.	2	0	7	1	1
Newbern, r. f.	1	3	1	0	0
Hutchinson, s. s.	0	0	2	4	2
Young, 2b.	2	2	3	3	1
Norman, p.	1	0	0	3	0
Totals	6	7	27	11	6

A. B. C.'s..........1 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—3
Union Giants..........0 2 0 1 0 0 4 0 0—7

Innings pitched—Johnson, 9; Norman, 9. Hits—Off Johnson, 7; off Norman, 4. Bases on balls—Off Johnson, 2; off Norman, 2. Struck out—By Johnson, 6; by Norman, 7. Hit by pitcher—Johnson. Two-base hits—Merida, Young. Three-base hits—Herron. Double plays—Hutchinson to Robinson; Norman to Young to Robinson. Stolen bases—Herron, Brown, Johnson, Ramsey, Young. Umpire—Adams. Time—1:30.

Second game—

A. B. C.'s.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Allen, 3b.	1	2	2	1	0
Herron, c. f.	0	1	1	0	0
Shawler, l. f.	1	1	3	0	0
Merida, c.	1	2	9	0	0
Gatewood, s. s.	0	1	2	2	0
Board, 1b.	1	0	9	1	2
Higbee, 2b.	0	0	1	0	2
Brown, r. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Washington, p.	0	2	0	4	0
Totals	4	9	27	8	4

GIANTS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Pryor, 3b.	0	2	1	0	0
Ramsey, l. f.	2	1	2	0	0
Green, c. f.	1	0	5	0	0
Robinson, 1b.	2	2	7	0	3
Talbott, r. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Newbern, c.	1	0	12	0	0
Hutchinson, s. s.	1	0	0	2	0
Young, 2b.	1	2	0	2	0
Means, p.	0	0	0	3	0
Norman, p.	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	8	7	27	8	3

A. B. C.'s..........0 1 0 1 0 0 2 0 0—4
Union Giants..........3 0 1 0 0 0 0 4 0—8

Innings pitched—By Washington, 9; by Means, 8; by Norman, 1. Hits—Off Washington, 7; off Means, 8; off Norman, 1. Bases on balls—Off Washington, 4; off Means, 1. Struck out—By Washington, 6; by Means, 6. Two-base hits—Shawler, Merida, Washington, Ramsey, Young. Double play—Talbott to Robinson. Stolen bases—Allen (3), Shawler, Ramsey, Young. Umpire—Adams. Time—1:45. Attendance—1,500.

BASEBALL AT LOUISVILLE.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, KY., June 16.—Baseball among colored fans is surely picking up. The crowd was almost equally divided last Sunday. The Giants had about 3,000 and the Unions 4,500. Both teams have been playing excellent ball this season and they have merited the large crowds that have witnessed the magnificent games since the first ball was tossed across the diamonds. At one time the Giants had the go on the Unions, but the last two games of the Unions has caused the crowd to divide. This has been due to the Unions playing the Reccius, the famous white team. The Unions won Sunday before last and last Sunday. They hope to win again this Sunday. To demonstrate that there has been no put up game between the white and blacks, last Sunday they played a twelve inning game with a score of three to two in favor of the Unions. Under the management of "Bally" Fleming the Unions are making good and the crowds are getting off at Twenty-eighth street and Broadway to see his boys, while other crowds go on to Spring Bank and see the famous Giants. The score:

Reccius..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0—2
Unions...... 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1—3

The Unions will play the New Albany Stars next Sunday. Those wishing to see another great game are urged to be present. Take Walnut or Broadway cars and get off at Twenty-eighth street.

The Louisville Giants and much-heralded Gold Medals crossed bats last Sunday with a double header. The Giants completely outclassed the Medals and the Giants outplayed the Medals at every stage of the game. Coleman hit Fritz for a home run. Cid Miles was back in center and he exhibited some fine playing. There is a great deal of rivalry existing between the Unions and the Giants. The public wants to see both the crack colored teams come together. A number of well-known baseball sports who have been patronizing clored games said last week that if they don't come together they were going to take their quarters to some other games. All you can hear is when are the two crack teams going to play? The Giants, under Mr. Lancaster, has made a wonderful reputation and it is due this team that baseball enthusiasm is so high. Mr. Lancaster deserves great credit for putting such excellent ball teams before the public and will deserve more if some agreement can come whereby the two colored teams will cross bats. The games last Sunday were as follows. First game:

Gold Medals.......2 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0—3
Lou. Giants........0 2 3 0 4 1 0 0 *—9

Second game—

Lou. Giants........1 1 6 0 0 0 0 0 *—8
Gold Medals.......1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—2

The Jagger Baseball Club plays another game with the Merry Widows June 12, at their park, Twenty-eighth and Broadway. Lewis Thomas, manager; Joe Cotton, umpire. Cary B. Lewis.

ROUTE.

P. G. LOWERY'S ENTERPRISE, with the Walace-Haggenbeck Circus—Duluth, Minn., June 22; Superior, Wis., 23; New Richmond, 24; Mankato, Minn., 25; Albert Lea, 26; Mason City, Ia., 27.

WILLIAMS AND STEVENS—Crystal Theater, Chicago, Ill., week of June 22.

LEROY BLAND—Week of June 22, Crystal Theater, Logansport, Ind.

BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS—Troy, N. Y., June 22; Utica, 23; Watertown, 24; Syracuse, 25; Rochester, 26; Niagara Falls, 27.

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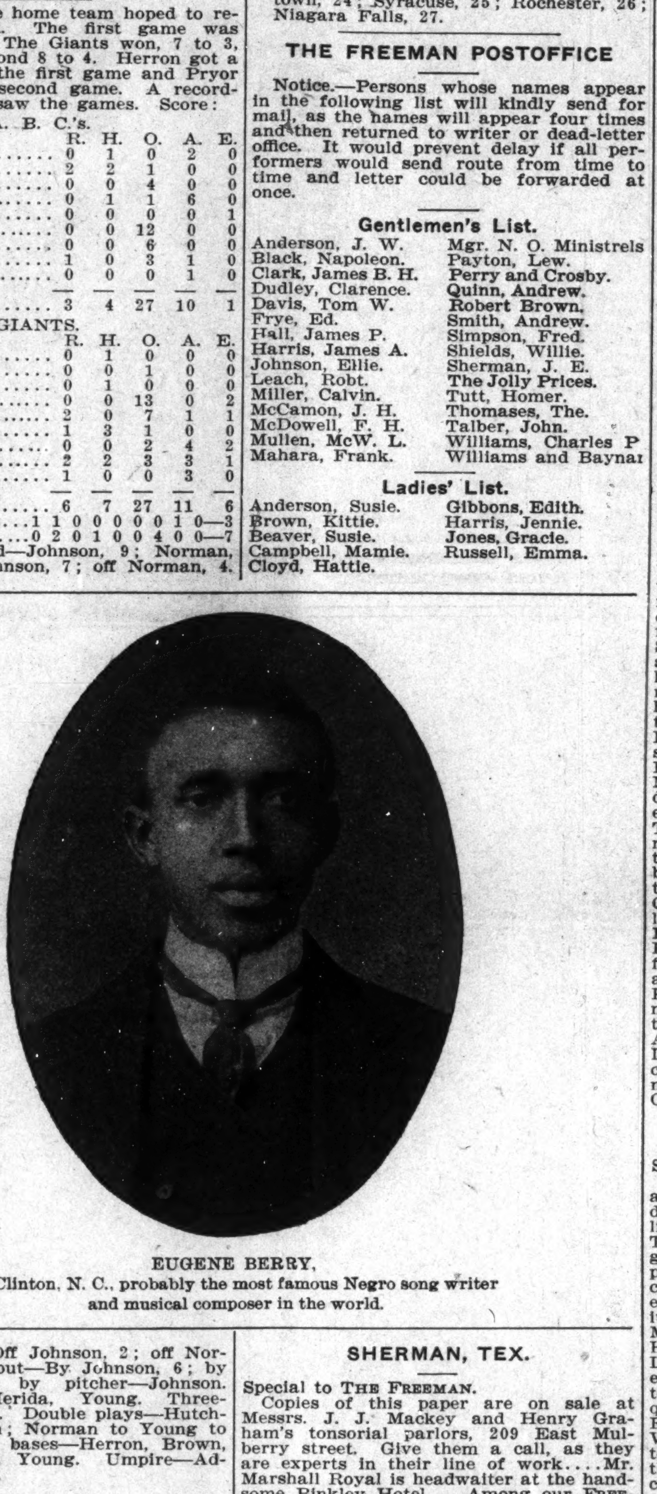
Notice.—Persons whose names appear in the following list will kindly send for mail, as the names will appear four times and then returned to writer or dead-letter office. It would prevent delay if all performers would send route from time to time and letter could be forwarded at once.

Gentlemen's List.

Anderson, J. W.
Black, Napoleon.
Clark, James B. H.
Dudley, Clarence.
Davis, Tom W.
Frye, Ed.
Hall, James P.
Harris, James A.
Johnson, Ellie.
Leach, Robt.
Miller, Calvin.
McCamon, J. H.
McDowell, F. H.
Mullen, McW. L.
Mahara, Frank.
Mgr. N. O. Ministrels
Payton, Lew.
Perry and Crosby.
Quinn, Andrew.
Robert Brown.
Smith, Andrew.
Simpson, Fred.
Shields, Willie.
Sherman, J. E.
The Jolly Prices.
Tutt, Homer.
Thomases, The.
Talber, John.
Williams, Charles P
Williams and Baynaı

Ladies' List.

Anderson, Susie.
Brown, Kittie.
Beaver, Susie.
Campbell, Mamie.
Cloyd, Hattie.
Gibbons, Edith.
Harris, Jennie.
Jones, Gracie.
Russell, Emma.



EUGENE BERRY,
Of Clinton, N. C., probably the most famous Negro song writer and musical composer in the world.

SHERMAN, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Copies of this paper are on sale at Messrs. J. J. Mackey and Henry Graham's tonsorial parlors, 209 East Mulberry street. Give them a call, as they are experts in their line of work....Mr. Marshall Royal is headwaiter at the handsome Binkley Hotel....Among our FREEMAN admirers are Messrs. Wesley Potts, Luther Jones, Adolphus Fitzgerald, Martin Wade and W. H. Crain. Messrs. Crain and Wade will go as representatives to the National I. B. P. O. E. of W. convention in St. Paul, Minn....Mrs. L. E. Hume has the handsomest cafe in North Texas. Everything good to eat. Polite waiters to attend your wants. THE FREEMAN for sale there every day....The South Texas League, composed of Houston, Austin, Waco and Cleburne, will cross bats with the North Texas League, viz., Sherman, Dallas, Fort Worth and Cleburne, during the next fifteen days. Manager Theo. Graves, of the Sherman team, says all the teams have professional ball players. ....Messrs. Elmer Williams and Wm. Mann are tonsorial artists. Give them a call. East Mulberry street. THE FREEMAN for sale there....Mr. Arthur Williams has one of the finest graphophones in Texas....The musical fete given at the Masonic Hall last Friday night, the 12th inst., by the famous Royal's Orchestra, headed by Mr. Earnest Johnson, was quite a grand affair. Several hundred society young people were in attendance. The music discoursed throughout the evening was grand....A handsome annex, known as the waiters' dining room, has been added to the handsome Binkley Hotel.

FOGELMAN, ARK.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Children's Day was observed with appropriate exercises last Sunday. Collection, $7.20....Mary Thompson, whose death occurred last week, was buried last Sunday. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. A. Lee.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

James F. Pride, a popular young business man of Courtland, Ala., and owner of the only Afro-American establishment in North Alabama, was in our city last week....Mrs. C. C. McGruder, of Birmingham, Ala., was the guest of Mrs. Laura Dennis last week....Sheffield has recently organized a crack baseball team, known as the Sheffield Brownies. Andrew Hayes, captain; N. T. Perkins, manager; Will H. Wallace, assistant manager; Berry Burton, Lee Fort, Johnnie Pitts, Will Gadd, Will Render, W. V. Jackson....Mrs. Emma Lytle entertained Mrs. C. C. McGruder at dinner, Thursday, June 10.... The concert and show given last week at the colored auditorium under the management of Prof. F. H. Bowser was a success and largely attended....Miss Jennie Lee Taylor and Mrs. Hannah Storer are ill....Henry Price is much better....The people of Sheffield were highly entertained Wednesday night, June 10, at the A. M. E. Church, by Mrs. C. C. McGruder, of Birmingham, Ala., the State Grand Lecturer of the Court of Calanthes. Mrs. McGruder spoke long and eloquently, and received much applause....Master Robert Carter, the little son of Mrs. Ella Carter, entertained a number of his playmates at his birthday party, Tuesday evening, the 9th....Mrs. Joseph Lawson and sister, Miss Argie Gray, have returned home from Bessemer, Ala....The Bowser Glee Club is exciting much comment. They are among the best singers in northern Alabama....Ellmore Mitchell is an assistant agent of THE FREEMAN. Give him your subscription when he calls on you....Wash Managrew was shot at a picnic, Saturday night, four miles east of Sheffield, by Robt. Hooks....The first annual sermon of the Rising Sons and Daughters of Protection was conducted Sunday evening, June 14, at the First Baptist Church. Rev. B. Crawford, of the A. M. E. Church, preached an excellent sermon. The music rendered by the choir was enjoyed by all. Mrs. E. M. Blair presided at the organ. An excellent paper was read by Mrs. Mittie Murphy. After the sermon the congregation enjoyed a lovely song by the choir, led by Mrs. Mamie James, organist of the C. M. E. Church. Rev. B. Crawford is attending the district conference at Scottsford, Ala., this week. The ladies of the Rising Sons and Daughters of Protection made quite a display in their lovely white dresses, trimmed in blue....Just think! THE FREEMAN will be delivered at your door for 5 cents per week....A match game of baseball was played Saturday between Sheffield and Tuscumbia. The score was 5 to 1 in favor of Sheffield....Mesdames Winters and Nelson are star members of the C. M. E. Church. These ladies deserve all credit given them. They have installed the incandescent lights for the church at their own expense....The following named persons donated to the Tuggle Institute June 10: Rev. B. Crawford, 25c; Louis Burrell, 25c; Mrs. Lizzie Jackson, 25c; J. W. Lytle, 25c; C. H. Vincent, 25c; J. C. Dennis, 25c; J. S. Lockhart, 25c; Miss Georgia Mosley, 25c; John Booth, 25c; St. Anna Bowman, 25c; Mrs. Emma Lytle, 25c; Mrs. Laura Dennis, 25c; G. W. Alexander, 25c.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special tó THE FREEMAN.

The free concert and supper given by the Literary Society of the A. M. E. Church and the excellent program rendered by Miss Zora Pierson was largely attended. The program was as follows: Song, Miss Josie Waddie, Zora Pierson, accompanist, Alberta O'Leary; prayer, Rev. Henderson; reading, Serena Herman; instrumental solo, Thomas Waggoner....Miss Lucy Smith, of East College avenue, who has been very ill, is able to be up....Misses Mamie Jones and Icy Seymour and Mrs. Annie Carpenter are still very ill....Miss Nellie Early had the misfortune recently to mash her finger, and it is very painful....Among the pupils who were neither absent nor tardy at the different schools were Opal Belle, Isabel Blue, Helen Johnson, Gladys Mallory, James Nelson, Tom Waggoner, Nettie Young, McKinley Harrison and Lilly Fry....Mrs. Henry Trimble is now living on South West street....Mrs. Henry Richards, of Allen avenue, and Mrs. Samuel Abbington, of East Chamber street, royally entertained Miss Nellie Early recently....The Eastern Star sermon was delivered Sunday, June 7, at the Mt. Emery Baptist Church, by Rev. Muse....The Woman's Club met June 8, with a large attendance. After the regular business an address was given by Rev. Goff. Subject, "Woman's Greatest Possession." It was well delivered and listened to with much interest. The hostesses were Mesdames Williams and Oglesby....The Wednesday Art Club held a very interesting and profitable meeting at the home of Mrs. Della Harris. The club devotes most of its time to charity work, and has relieved a great many in distress, and at this meeting the club donated $10 to the Methodist Church for the new church fund; also $10 to the Second Baptist Church new church fund, and $5 to the free kindergarten, and also has donated on other occasions....The remains of Mrs. Back, which were brought here from Bloomington, Ill., were taken to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ward, on East Washington street. The funeral services were held at the Mount Emery Baptist Church, Rev. Muse officiating. Mrs. Back leaves a mother and a loving daughter and several sisters and a brother. The flowers were in charge of Misses T. Smith, Katherine Branum, Serena Herman and Mrs. Nettie Branum. Interment took place in East Cemetery....Miss Alberta O'Leary was elected delegate to attend the Sunday school convention in Quincy, Ill....Miss Emma Early spent last week with her aunt, Mrs. Mandy Belle, on North Diamond street....Mrs. Louis Herndon left recently for Springfield, Mo., for a visit with friends there, and also to visit friends in Kansas City, Kans., and St. Louis, Mo....James Dabney and wife, of Memphis, Tenn., are in the city, visiting Mrs. Alice Dabney, on Anna street, and also his sister, Mrs. Douglas, in the country....Word was received recently of the death of the grandmother of Mrs. Fred Dabney, in Kansas City, Mo.

PADUCAH, KÝ.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Cumberland Presbyterian Church are preparing for their annual children's day exercises, under the leadership of Willie Robinson and Mrs. Georgia Caldwell. The following program will be given: Organ voluntary; singing by the school; prayer, followed by the Lord's Prayer in concert; Scripture reading; singing and exercises by the primary department; recitation, Miss Romana Burford; recitation, Miss Obedience Adams; recitation, Miss Hettie Lassiter; recitation, Miss Irene Lassiter; recitation, Mr. Herman Rouch; essay, subject, "Faith," composed by Master Willie Morton; "The Children's King;" quartette, Misses Rosa Mae Caldwell, Frankie Barnette, Mamie Hawkins, Mr. Willie Robinson; singing by Junior or Intermediate department; address, Mr. Luther Bailey; recitation by six primary children; recitation by ten little children; march drill by eight young misses; offering for Presbyterian Sabbath school missions; singing by the school; benediction, Rev. C. G. Rowlette....Irvin Clark made a visit to St. Louis last week to attend a sick brother. On his return he reported having left his brother out of danger.... Mrs. Ophelia Sales and son James are here visiting friends and relatives, being at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Halsey, of North Eleventh street, the home of her father-in-law, M. W. Sales, Sr....St. Paul Lodge No. 65, U. B. F., at its last session, elected the delegate to the State Grand Lodge, which meets in Versailles, Ky., August 11 to 14. Sam Marshall, who was chosen, is a young man of sterling qualities, faithful to every law of the order, and is energetic, progressive and watchful as to the needs of the brotherhood....Mrs. Mossie Trice, traveling missionary of the C. P. Sunday School Convention, has gone on her visit to the different Sunday schools of her district, which comprises West Kentucky, West Tennessee and Southern Illinois....Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Miss Hallie Roberts to Mr. Cornelius Rogers. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Roberts, of Campbell street... The wedding took place at the Harrison Street Baptist Church, Wednesday evening, June 17....Services at the several churches were well attended last Sunday....Prof. T. D. Hibbs, Mrs. Laura L. Hibbs and Mrs. Sallie V. Lowery left last Sunday for Normal, Ill., where they will take a summer course in the Illinois State Normal University....Miss Louis Thomas is ill....Misses Ellen Winston and Mary Broyles spend there vacation in Smithland, visiting their cousin....A. Johnson has opened a cafe at 1240 Clay street....Mrs. Hattie E. Haynes is visiting friends in St. Louis, Mo....Misses Hazel and Lillian Shelby spent Sunday in Eddysville, Ky....Mrs. G. W. McElroy visited friends at Metropolis, Ill., Sunday. ....Elie Anderson, the eleven-months-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, died last Sunday....The infant of Mr. Ed Ross is improved, after a few weeks' illness.... Prof. James Smith left the city June 10 for Benton, where he will look after important business....Mrs. Dora Benberry, of South Eighth street, is very ill....Mrs. Lula Hodge is improving....Master Herbert Smith is visiting out of the city.... Little Eunice Isbell is still sick....Mrs. Harvey, of 1425 Clay street, gave a silver tea last Sunday evening, in honor of one of the young graduates of the class of '08. ....Miss Adell Sylas, of South Ninth street, gave a graduates' social....Miss Mabel Gray, of Florence, Ala., is the guest of Miss Susie D. Kirel, 427 South Seventh street....Don't fail to subscribe for THE FREEMAN....George Buford, who has been visiting his sister, has returned to Chattanooga, Tenn....The Cosmopolitan Club met with Mrs. Thos. Bailey last Thursday....Get THE FREEMAN of J. A. Lindsey, 707 Tenth street, old 'phone 944A....At the A. M. E. Sunday school, at 9:30 a. m., Rev. G. W. Robinson, pastor, occupied the stand. Subject, "The Divine Secret"....At the C. M. E. Sunday school, at 9:30 a. m., Rev. Bell, pastor, being absent, Rev. Smith filled the stand. Regular services at the evening hour. Subject, "The Highway of the Lord"....At the Christian Church, the Rev. J. W. Glover, pastor, preached Sunday morning. Subject found in third chapter of Matthew, ninth verse....At the Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Rowlett, pastor, officiated at regular services morning and evening....Rev. Dr. Smith, pastor of Washington Street Baptist Church, preached an excellent sermon Sunday morning. Subject, "There shall not be left here one stone upon another that shall not be thrown down." Matt. 24:3. The Rev. Beasley, one of the most noted evangelists, spoke at the evening hour. The Rev. J. O. Griffin, pastor of Harrison Street Church, addressed the children Sunday morning. Children's day was observed. Services at the evening hour. Rev. W. S. Baber, pastor of the Seventh Street Church, filled his stand at regular services, morning and evening.... Rev. A. W. Yates, pastor of Tenth Street Church, filled his pulpit on Sunday.

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It will be "President Taft" after the 4th of next March.

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It is well to have a case before attempting to be a "contestant."

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Temporary Chairman Burrows was not "John R. Lynched."

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Louisville might be happy if the Colored High School could have two principals about now.

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It is well to be able to distinguish clearly between ingratitude and independence. The latter is often a cloak to hide the former.

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Agitation to be potent must be timely, based on sane principles, and conducted by individuals who stand for something worth while.

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Among the familiar features that failed to put in an appearance at the Norfolk General Conference was the qudarennial Townsend bishopric boom.

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The "chronic knocker," who sees no good in anybody, and who has no faith in anything, is entitled to a front seat in the class of "undesirable citizens."

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Other cities than Washington would have a "Medico-Chirurgical Society" if the young doctors and their friends were sure they could pronounce the name.

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The delegates at Chicago will find a never-failing source of inspiration in the biblical text, "Be not weary of well-doing, for in due season ye shall reap, if ye faint not."

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If there is a "natural antagonism" between the white and black races, why should white men find it necessary to pass laws to keep white women from marrying Negro men?

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It is a fine thing to be able to go forward upon one's "merits"; but when a fellow is somewhat "shy" on merits, a "pull" is a mighty handy commodity to have within reach.

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Anyhow, in planning to keep the Brownsville issue to the fore, Senator Foraker is making it absolutely impossible for any Negro to have an excuse for voting the Democratic ticket.

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Negro editors managed to refrain from getting excited over the currency question—that is, they did not get worried over the one the "big guns" talked about during the recent Congress.

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The manager of a campaign press bureau who thinks personal abuse and misrepresentation are "good politics" is a raw hand at the game. The people are not fools and cannot be fooled by a fool.

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And now Senator Bailey, another Negro-hater, is out of commission, suffering from an aggravated sore throat. This thing of talking too much about the black man is sure to bring disastrous consequences in its train.

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"They walked right in and turned around, and walked right out again," is a refrain Roscoe Conkling Simmons was heard to hum sadly, a sthe news came in that his contesting Mississippians had been given the "double-cross" by the national committee at Chicago.

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Dr. L. H. Reynolds could have been a bishop—without vote or American jurisdiction—had he been willing to exchange his happy Virginia home for a camp in the "Dark Continent." He did not need the title that urgently. It will be Reynolds next time, without a doubt.

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It is now up to Chairman Thomas J. Calloway to see to it that the American Negro makes an adequate showing at the Japanese World's Fair at Tokio in 1912. As Afro-America's "Greatest Showman on Earth," Mr. Calloway is giving the sometime reputation of Barnum a close run.

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The banishment of the Rev. Jay Albert Johnson to far-away Africa meets with universal approval. The faithful and unremitting labors of the eminent Britisher's press agent have borne the fruit that might have been expected. A lemon is better than no fruit at all.

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Private Secretary Emmett J. Scott has no idea of becoming a candidate for the superintendency of Freedmen's Hospital, at Washington—a job that does not exist and which will not be created. The Bureau of Imagination on a certain New England "weakly" is working overtime.

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Bishop Scott says that no one is permitted to become a member of the Methodist Episcopal church who does not pledge himself to abstain from intoxicating liquor. If this rule should be rigidly applied in this country, there would be—well, what's the use of prophesying what there would be?

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Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, of the Free Synagogue of New York, gets on the solidest kind of ground when he says "The three great powers of the world today are the school, the church, and the press and greater than either the school or the church in its influence is the press." The reasons are obvious.

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Baltimoreans are urging their moneyed men to start a few good paying business enterprises, and are calling attention to the necessity of more drug stores, hotels and restaurants. The coming meeting of the National Negro Business League in that city will doubtless act as an effective stimulant in this direction.

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Collector W. D. Crum was "on the job" when Secretary Taft stopped off at Charleston, S. C., en route to Panama. As the leading representative of the federal government it was not only his duty but a pleasure to be foremost in extending the freedom of the city to its distinguished guest.

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It will be of interest to our Indianapolis readers to know that Mr. James K. Nickens, the stereopticon lecturer, and Mrs. Cornelia Harrison Evans, both former residents of the Hoosier capital, but now of Cleveland, Ohio, were united in marriage in the Buckeye metropolis. They have the best wishes of a host of friends throughout the entire country.

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In adding 40,000 to the membership of of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows in his year and a half of administration, Grand Master Houston has made the strongest argument for his continuance at the head of that massive organization. The B. M. C. at Atlantic City in September will be a "Houston ratification meeting."

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The active work of taking the thirteenth census will soon begin. More than 3,000 additional helpers will be needed to carry on the great undertaking. Colored men and women who can so arrange their private affairs as to give the government a chance to draw on their talents for a limited period, would do well to sit up and take notice.

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Bishop Walters did not get a "square deal" at the hands of that Philadelphia crowd, and he shows signs of washing his hands of the entire outfit. The genial Bishop of New York has the confidence of the good people of the country, and there is always a front seat reserved for him on the band wagon when he gets ready to occupy it.

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Congressman Heflin, of malodorous fame, who misrepresents the Tuskegee district of Alabama at Washington, made a speech the other day in the House, but it was so "punk" that Speaker Cannon ordered the official stenographer to admit it from the Record. Fittingly, when the husky "pistol-toter" shoots off his mouth, Congress "pays him no mind."

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The Baltimore Afro-American Ledger, in lamenting the lack of hotel accommodations in the Monumental City, evidently overlooks The Goldfield, the elegant hostelry operated by Joe Gans and partner; and Brother Murphy's excellent journal also forgets to mention that the Hoffman House, conducted in first class style by Wallace L. Smith, is still doing business at the old stand.

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The "fine Italian hand" of Auditor Ralph W. Tyler was conspicuously in evidence throughout the proceedings at the Chicago pow-wow. It is an open secret that to his quiet but highly effective efforts the "square deal" promised to the Negro delegates from the South, and the resonant suffrage plank in the platform, were "signed, sealed and delivered." Mr. Tyler never fails to get what he goes after.

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Dr. M. C. B. Mason, secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal church, is liberal on the subject of amusements for Christians. He is a croquet enthusiast and when he goes to the various cities on his itineraries he frequently takes advantage of his opportunities with the local teams. Dr. Mason will be a bishop one of these days, if he lives long enough.

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Chairman T. J. Calloway did himself proud as the official escort of the Liberian envoys on their recent visit to the commencement at Tuskegee Institute. He exhibited the distinguished African commissioners to the Tuskegeeans and exhibited Tuskegee to the visitors, performing his dual task with the skill and ease that might naturally be expected of a veteran of many stupendous expositions.

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There is hope for the white people of Arkansas, after all. They had the good judgment the other day to rise in their might and seize a golden opportunity to show theid regard for decency by smiting Jeff Davis hip and thigh, defeating him for delegate to the Denver convention by an overwhelming majority. It looks as if the sojourn of the "Howling Dervish" in the United States Senate will be short-lived.

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The General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion church lived up to its great opportunity in re-electing John C. Dancy as editor of the Zion Quarterly, and in returning Dr. George C. Clement to the editorial chair of the Star of Zion. When an organization gets the right kind of men in positions for which they are exceptionally fitted, it is a blunder to move them out merely to make a place for a novice who may happen to be popular among his brethren.

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The able and scholarly New York Age was never better than now. Under the energetic and business-like management of Fred R. Moore it is enjoying a season of unexampled prosperity. Its editorials are crisp, plain-spoken, dignified in statement and optimistic in spirit, and its news columns are full of fresh and clean matter, information that makes the race think well of itself and encourages the weak to persevere and be strong in their efforts toward individual betterment.

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Former Register Judson W. Lyons made an excellent showing as Georgia's national committeeman. He conducted himself with dignity and poise at critical stages of the game, and impressed everybody as being a man who was sincere and knew just what he was doing. It was a neat compliment on the part of Chairman Harry S. New to call Mr. Lyons to the chair during the hearing of the Mississippi contests, and the former register's friends are delighted with the good account he gave of himself. Mr. Lyons will be a factor in the coming campaign.

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The rapid trend of the federal government toward centralization is in keeping with the demands of modern thought. Private institutions have found that better results grow out of the concentration of responsibility at a common center, and that a single source of power should be able to exert authority over every part of the machinery it is designed to move. Centralization is absolutely necessary to the preservation of our national life. No respect is due that species of "states' rights" which is invoked nine times out of ten to avoid federal interference with pernicious and oppressive local laws.

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With Ben Tillman and Dr. Alderman, of the University of Virginia, off to Europe to recuperate, Jim Vardaman sent to the rear, Joe Bailey down with a sore-throat, Heflin under indictment for shooting an unarmed black man, Hoke Smith put down and out in Georgia, and Jeff Davis elected to stay at home from the Denver convention by the decent people of Arkansas, it looks as if the bitterest of the Negro's foes are being "brought unto judgment" in a miraculous way. Surely there is potency in the divine injunction, "Vengeance is mine, saith the Lord; I will repay."

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Cary B. Lewis is forging to the front in the reportorial world like a streak of "greased lightning." His special write-up of the Kentucky State Normal and Industrial Institute at Frankfort, published in illustrated style by the Louisville Courier-Journal, was a fine piece of work. His letters in THE FREEMAN are among the best features of the paper, and add much to its prestige as a purveyor of live news. Mr. Lewis is young, aggressive, ambitious and capable, and if the "old stagers" do not look to their laurels, the nimble Kentuckian will be "right onto their hip."

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Ten months ago, when a group of well known colored men were disposed to speak unkdinly of Secretary Taft because of his supposed connection with the discharge of the Brownsville troops, and to threaten to bolt the ticket if he should be the nominee, the writer of this column remarked, as he has remarked many times since: "William Howard Taft will be the next Republican nominee, the Negroes will vote for that nominee, and the less that is said against him now, the less you will have to take back this time next year." That's all.

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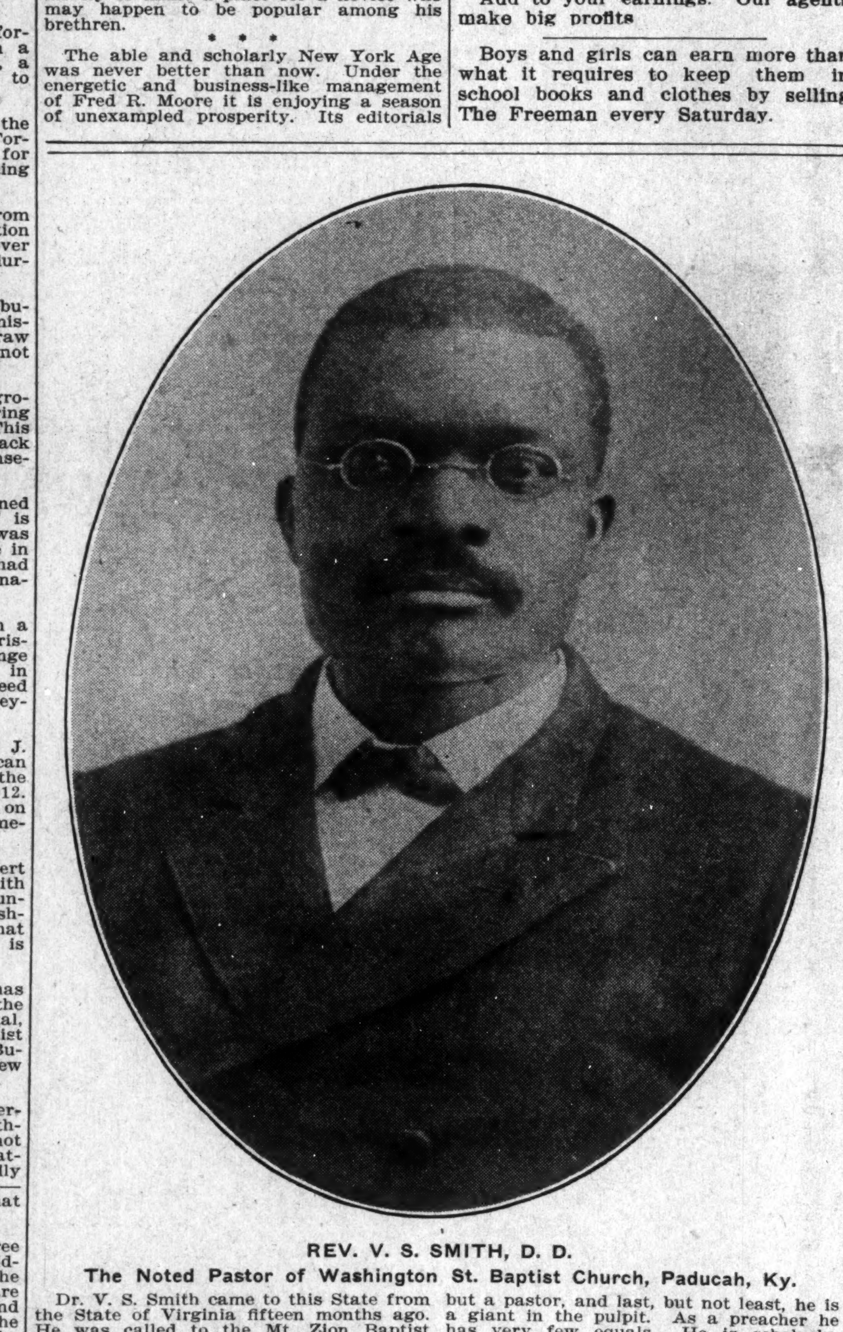

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HOW BEST TO INFLUENCE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO ATTEND CHURCH.

(Read before the City B. Y. P. U.)

Dear Friends—It affords me much pleasure to appear before you with this very important subject, "How Best to Influence Our Young People to Attend Church." We desire first to inquire as to how far Christ's influence may be seen in the realm of civil government, upon the kings and upon the governments over which they rule. Among the many names by which we designate the Divine Being, none is more significant, real and true than those with which we describe Him as the Moral Ruler, Governor Sovereign of the universe. Indeed, the term Lord is one that involves the idea of rule and authority. And though not excluding other spheres of His dominion, it has special reference to His moral government and to Him as a Moral Governor. God's fatherhood does not call into exercise the distinctly moral attributes any more than do the character and relationship that belong to Him as Ruler. If there is any being among men who ought to have and must have moral character and moral responsibility, it is the ruler, the man at the head of civil government. At least it is so if the ruler and the government over which he rules are to fulfill their heaven-appointed functions in the on-going of the world. If the kingdom of righteousness is ever to be fully established in the earth it can only be by the kingdoms of this world becoming the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ.

An important part of the work of Christianity in the earth is to Christianize the world. If we are to influence our young people to attend the church we must have a moral character and a moral responsibility. The trouble that comes before us in this age is the young people have lost confidence in our leaders; so when the young people confide in our leaders and our leaders lose the influence over them, it is true that our young people are inclined to attend a show or a dance rather than the church; but remember, this age is an age of development. The old method of conducting prayer meeting will not reach the minds of this age. Singing an old hymn in a long tune and with a whine will not meet the demand of this age. What must we do, and how shall we influence them?

First, the church must put more life into the B. Y. P. U. and the Sunday school. The B. Y. P. U. is the medium through which we make disciples. Jesus said to His apostles, "Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel to every creature, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost." The Sunday school is the place to teach them or make disciples of them. Let the leaders put more life in the young people's department, and then you will find that the church will grow. Education plays an important part in this work. You must strive to train the little boy and girl that after the Sunday school they must remain and hear the gospel preached. The leaders or rulers of the church must give more time to try to encourage the young people to attend the church. Every man or woman, however great or small, has some influence over those about them. Then if we as Christians fail to use our influence for good, God will hold us responsible in the judgment. Give the young people something that will entice them to come to church; then they will attend prayer meeting and other meetings. We have a deal of work to do ourselves, and when we get down to work, things will come to pass.

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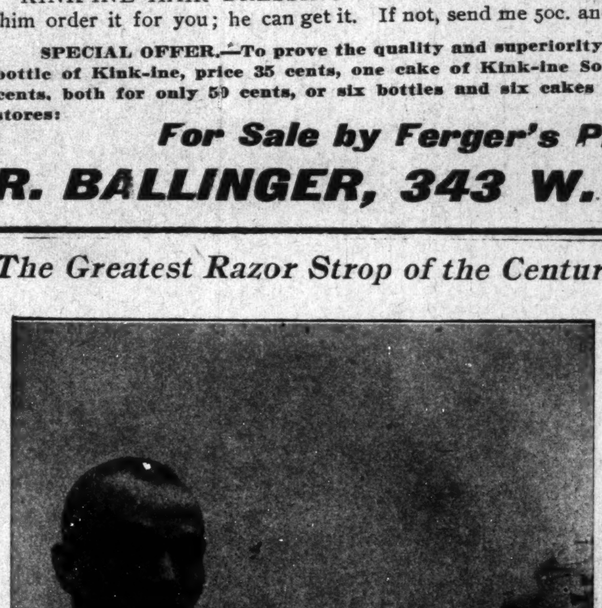

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SPORTING GOSSIP of the WEEK.

SOME SPORTING COMMENT.

—By Charles Marshall.—

For some days I have kept in the background and have had little to say or do in the sporting world, but on receiving several letters concerning baseball I was bound to sit up and take notice. Some time ago a movement was on foot to organize a colored National baseball league and everything was done by myself and others to make it a complete success, but for some reason its light flickered out almost as soon as it was started. It seems that the very people who were so deeply interested in its welfare were at the same time busy forming leagues of their own towns and States. Also, it appeared that many of the officers and members expected one or two persons to form the league without any assistance whatever on their part. Every one was good at handing advice, but that was all. If every person concerned had given their full support, a strong league would have been in running order to-day and everybody really satisfied. Of course, it is no small matter to form a league, and especially an association of colored baseball clubs, but by reaching over a few handicaps it can be done. Just now the movement is at a standstill and the prospects look cloudy, but with stirring gentlemen like Frank C. Leland, of Chicago, William H. Ford, of Cleveland, Conrad Kuebler, of St. Louis, Mo., and Ed Lancaster, of Louisville, Ky., a corking organization can be perfected. Right now there are several minor leagues playing in various parts that could be dumped right into the big league with good effect. The National Colored Baseball League is bound to be a sure thing of the future, even though things may not look good just now.

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John B. Taylor, Jr., the great runner, has again established the fact that he is one of the world's greatest athletes by winning the quarter mile run at the annual National Intercollegiate Championship meet in Philadelphia, recently, as champion of all American colleges. Taylor will also take part in the Olympic games, which is considered to be the world's greatest meet for athletes.

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It was with sorrow and regret that the news was received last week that Referee Siler had been stricken with heart disease and would in all probability not recover from the shock. The veteran referee was walking down State street, in Chicago, when overcome. He sank to the sidewalk unconscious and was carried to a near-by drug store by strangers. Mr. Siler was on his way to take the train for Milwaukee, where he was scheduled to report the Papke-Ketchel glove contest for the Chicago Tribune, the paper which has employed him for many years.

The sporting world has been aware of the weakened condition of the old-time boxer and referee for over a year, and on that account the sudden breakdown of the popular ring official was no great surprise, but at the same time his friends felt the shock greatly, and many inquiries as to his condition reached Chicago from all parts of the United States.

Siler has acted as the third man in the ring in at least a dozen of the most important glove contests in the history of the American ring. He handed down the decision in the famous Corbett-Fitzsimmons battle at Carson City, and also declared Jim Jeffries winner over Tom Sharkey in that long-to-be-remembered encounter at Coney Island for the world's championship. It was Siler who acted as the third man in the ring when Joe Gans whipped Battling Nelson at Goldfield on a foul. He also officiated in the fight between Marvin Hart and Mike Schreck at Tonopah last year, this being the last fight of any great interest that he took part in. It seems strange that this widely known ring general should get his start to fame in far-off Nevada, and in that same State practically finish his career in the squared circle. Last year Siler was given a benefit, at which $6,000 was raised. Had it not been for this he would have left the ring practically penniless.

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Terry McGovern has quit the ring for good, and with his retirement the Queensberry realm loses one of the most wonderful little boxers in the history of the game. Terry, up to a few months ago, had been inactive as far as pugilistic matters were concerned, but, after several weeks' training in the South, the fight bee started buzzing in his bonnet, and a bout was arranged for him with Young Laughrey, at Philadelphia. He made good in that contest and he was matched with "Spike" Robson. In this fight he acted like he had forgotten all the good things he ever knew about boxing, and his manager, Joe Humphreys, decided to call off all bouts he had in view, and in the future will never again enter him in the prize ring.

Terry started off his fighting career with Sam Harris as his manager, and Sam stuck to him to the last. Although Joe Humphreys has been managing McGovern's affairs for several years, Sam has all along done his best to help Terry along, and his advice was heeded in all matters of importance. The fact that Harris and Humphreys stuck to Terry to the very end of his fighting days shows that there was no friction of any kind in the McGovern camp and that Terry was not a hard man to handle. McGovern started Harris on the road to riches, and has also made big money for Joe Humphreys. The only boy who never profited to any great extent by Terry's success in the ring was Charley Mayhood, who trained him for every big fight he went into. Charley has been working on the street cars in New York City, and is to-day a poor man. He was always faithful to the Brooklyn whirlwind, and did much toward boosting him into the championship. Though he may not have any of the world's good things, Mayhood has the satisfaction of knowing that he was in a great measure responsible for the success of the greatest little fighter of the age, who always fought on the square, for if he had not done so Mayhood would not now be in need.

JACK JOHNSON'S CAREER.

Jack Johnson was born in Galveston, Tex., in 1878, and now is at the zenith of his physical powers. He has been actively engaged in the ring for six years. His first fight of importance was with Joe Choynski in Galveston, in 1901, when he lost in three rounds, and both he and Choynski were jailed.

Then Johnson went down the line and met almost every man who would fight him. He knocked out Jack Jeffries, brother of the champion, in five rounds, in 1902, and it was thought the boilermaker would take revenge for the insult to the family, but he did not do so. The most significant battle of Johnson's career was with Marvin Hart, in San Francisco, Cal., in which the white man won. Some of the men Johnson never was able to beat decisively are Sandy Ferguson, Joe Jeannette and Hank Griffin.

LANFORD GAVE HIM A BEATING.

Sandy Ferguson, the Chelsea, Mass., heavyweight, took a severe beating at the hands of Sam Langford, at the Armory A. A., Boston, Mass., on May 19, but managed to stay the limit of twelve rounds.

There was nothing to the fight but Langford. Ferguson weighed a ton in comparison to Langford and was a foot taller, but outside of a dash in the eighth round, when he really did go at the colored boxer as if he meant business, Ferguson was a joke. He had rolls of fat on his stomach, and at the end of every round was blowing like a porpoise. He rarely hit Langford, the latter knocking down his leads cleverly, and what few did land were mostly left jabs, which had no power behind them.

On the other hand, Langford landed some terrific body blows with both hands and walloped Sandy on the jaw until he was weary, but he had to push so much weight around the ring that he tired himself.

TAYLOR WINS MEMBERSHIP IN OLYMPIC TEAM.

Great Runner Heads the List in His Line.

When the American Olympic team sails for London, England, June 27, among its members will be found John B. Taylor, Jr., a Negro, who is considered to be one of the greatest sprinters of the age. Taylor is to compete for the 400-meter run, and there is but little doubt that he will carry off the honors.

Those who will represent Uncle Sam in July at London are:

100-meter dash—Cartmell, Pennsylvania; Rector, Virginia; Robertson, I. A. A. C.; Huff, Grinnell; May, Illinois.

110-meter hurdle—Shaw, Dartmouth; Smithson, California; Garrels, C. A. A.

800-meter run—Sheppard, I. A. A. C.; Lightbody, Chicago; Bromilow, I. A. A. C.; Ramey, C. A. A.; French, Cornell.

200-meter dash—Same men as the 100-meter.

400-meter hurdle—Hillman, New York A. C.; Bacon, I. A. A. C.; Sullivan, Apuinas A. C.

1,500-meter run—Halstead, Cornell; Sullivan, I. A. A. C.; Lightbody, Chicago; Coe and Rowe, Michigan.

400-meter run—Taylor, Pennsylvania; Carpenter, Cornell; Atlee, Princeton; Prout, Boston A. A.

Five-mile run—Ballares, New York A. C.; Bonhag, I. A. A. C.; Trube, Cornell.

Pole vault—Gilbert and Dray, Yale; Cooke, Cornell; Ballah, Stanford.

Shot put—Coe, Boston A. A.; Rose, Olympic Club; Garrels, Michigan.

Running high jump—Porter, I. A. A. C.; Moffit, Pennsylvania; Gidney, Boston A. A.; Patterson, C. A. A.

Standing high and standing broad jump—Ewry, New York A. C.; Biller, Brooklyn Y. M. C. A.

Discus throw, free and Greek style—Darborn, New York A. C.; Sheridan, I. A. A. C.; Talbott, Cornell.

Running broad jump—Cooke, Cornell; O'Connell, New York A. C.; Kelly, I. A. A. C.

Hammer throw—Flanagan, I. A. A. C.; McGrath, New York A. C.; Talbott, Cornell.

Hop, step and jump—Platt, Adams and O'Connell, New York A. C.

Javelin throw—Adams, New York A. C.; Sheridan, I. A. A. C.

Swimming—Goodwin and Daniels, New York A. C.; Green, Brookline Swimming Club.

Marathon run—Morrissey, Mercury A. A. C.

BASEBALL STAR PAYS FINE.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

DETROIT, Mich.—Ty Cobb, of the Tigers, appeared before Justice Jeffries, on June 9, on a charge of assault and battery, preferred by Fred Collins, a Negro, whom Ty slugged on Saturday afternoon as he was leaving the hotel for the ball park. Tyrus claimed the Negro insulted him. He pleaded not guilty.

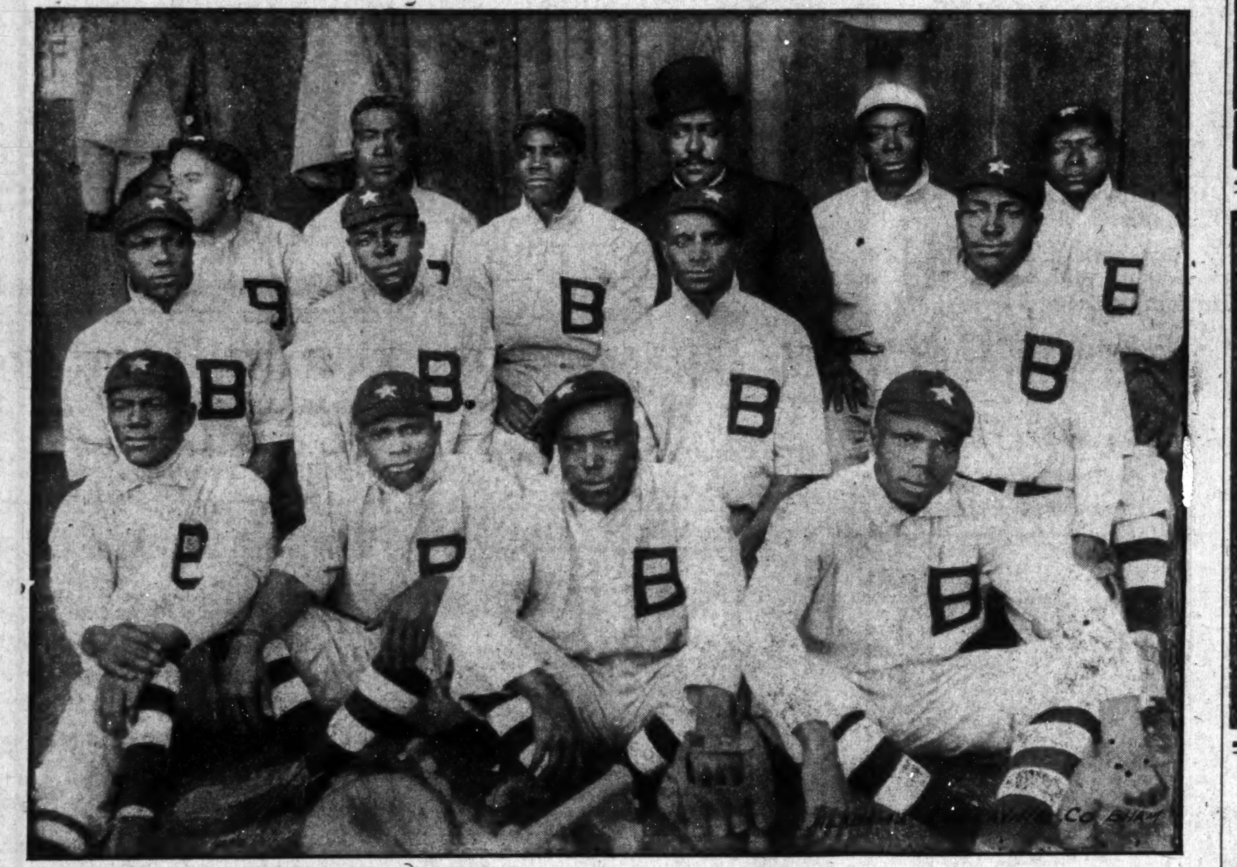
"If you are guilty you'll have to pay a fine," said the judge. "Your batting average won't save you. We pay when we go to see you, and you ought to pay when you come here."

The court consulted his pocket schedule, found that the team would be at home next Monday, and set the hearing for that date.

THE BURNS-JOHNSON AFFAIR IN ENGLAND.

Sam Fitzpatrick, manager of Jack Johnson, writes as follows from England:

Dear Sir—We have now been in England four weeks, doing our best, as you and your readers know, to force Tommy Burns, who claimed the world's championship, into a match for that title and a big side stake. The British public know full well that we have placed no obstacle whatever in the way of Burns, while, on the contrary, he has been doing his best all along to put forward difficulties which at the time he knew quite well could never be surmounted. More money—in fact, considerably more—has been offered Burns than he ever fought for in a genuine contest, in addition to which we have promised him backing up to $15,000. There is no bluff in this statement, for the money is at hand at any moment. As I write, Mr. Bettinson, of the National Sporting Club, holds $5,000, which is lodged with him to prevent any get out on the part of Burns or any jealousy among newspapers, and this, as I have said, can, if necessary, be increased to $15,000.



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Burns has repeatedly stated that he is out for the money, and, bearing this in mind, we are prepared, in the hope of drawing him, to bet him odds to his stake, and we will wager him $15,000 to his $10,000, and, further, Johnson will agree that the winner shall take the whole of the $10,000 which the National Sporting Club is prepared to give. I would like to remind Burns and his friends that in doing this we are making overtures to a champion, anyway one who claims that title, and I would at the same time ask any sporting man if such a thing has previously been known in the history of the ring.

Now, in order to know—though the explanation is hardly necessary—that Burns is doing his utmost to side-step Johnson, let me draw attention to his proposed match with Bill Squires, which is scheduled for July 13(in Paris. It is almost unnecessary to say that Burns has already beaten Squires in less than one round; therefore, why a second match, if not for the purpose of gaining time or furnishing a stop-gap. Then we come to the alleged offer from Goldfield, which is the second obstacle put forward by Burns to evade a match with Johnson. A week has elapsed since this astonishing cablegram was read to the public, and yet, strange to say, it has got no further than the stage at the Holborn Empire.

I have made inquiries in all directions respecting this particular message, which should, if the affair is business and not bluff, have reached either Johnson or myself. Up to the present, however, Burns appears to be the only man here who knows anything about it. Therefore, we can put the Goldfield business down as bunkum, which Burns knows it to be.

The agony is still being piled up, for the next thing that appears is the offer of a purse for Burns to box Lang, of Australia. Is this a move made to get Burns out of England, and, having chased him to this country, is he going to give us the scent on a sail to Australia? I would like to say that Johnson has already defeated this same Lang in very easy fashion. Taking all this into consideration, I ask, where does the honor and glory come in for Burns to meet beaten men and to travel 16,000 miles to fight one of Lang's caliber? I would suggest before he leaves England that Burns has a return match with Jem Roche, who appears quite as much entitled to another go as Bill Squires. Statements to the contrary notwithstanding, Johnson, as can be proved, has had money posted with the Evening Journal of New York for the past six months to bind a match with Burns. His stake is, as I have said, now up in England, and Burns makes no response.

In face of all this, there is surely no question as to who is to-day the genuine champion of the world. Johnson is, as he has been all along, prepared to box, and Burns fails to come forward. There is, therefore, only one inference to be drawn, which is that Burns is afraid.

From this date I therefore feel justified in claiming the championship for Jack Johnson, who, I may add, is ready to defend it at all times, and against all comers, giving Burns the first chance. Yours truly,

SAM FITZPATRICK.

OHIO LEAGUE ORGANIZED.

Through the efforts of Andrew Williams and William H. Ford, owner and manager of the Cleveland Giants, a State Colored Baseball League has been organized in Ohio. The following towns compose the league: Columbus, Cleveland, Springfield, Dayton, Cincinnati and Xenia.

CRICKET CLUB ORGANIZED.

Thursday evening, May 21, a number of the best known colored cricket players in this country met at 216 North Penn avenue, Atlantic City, and organized the West Indian Cricket Club. Many of the members once belonged to the famous Fenwick Club, of Barbadoes, B. W. I., who have defeated Oxford, of London, and also the crack Australian teams. The officers elected are as follows: James A. Murray, president; J. H. Tucker, vice president; Martin L. Best, secretary; Joseph Greenwich, treasurer; Sydney Hutchinson, field captain.

JUDGE FAVORS SPORTSMEN.

The courts of Delaware county, in the case of the Olympic Athletic Association, affirm the legality of boxing in Pennsylvania. In the opinion handed down in this case the judges gave a decision which will be pleasing to followers of the sport all over the State of Pennsylvania. In the plea of the Olympic Athletic Association it was maintained that "there is no law against friendly and scientific exhibitions of boxing in Pennsylvania." In reply the court states: "This is affirmed, provided such exhibitions do not include prize fights or fights or pugilistic contests on the result of which any money or valuable thing is bet or wagered." In many places throughout the State boxing bouts of any description whatever have been claimed to be illegal and have been interfered with through the actions of parties anxious for cheap notoriety and of grafting politicians, who have what has rightly been termed "the itching palm," or, in other words, men who have been looking for rewards in the line of money for allowing the boxing contests to be conducted. It has always been a strange spectacle that in Philadelphia boxing has been permitted by the police authorities, who have never had any good reason to want to interfere with it as an orderly, well-conducted sport, which is enjoyed by thousands, while at the other end of the State, in the city of Pittsburg, where the same laws are supposed to prevail, boxing has been prohibited by over-officious policemen, and even amateur bouts have been forbidden.

It will be noticed in the opinion that no mention is made of the length of time which a boxing bout may be carried on, and there is every reason to think that within a reasonable degree, as far as the safety of the contestants was concerned, the law places no limit on the number of rounds to be boxed. The principal thing which the judges seem to have had in mind was the fact that the line must be distinctly drawn between a prize fight and a boxing bout, and they did not hesitate to make it clear that there is a difference.

LEAGUE BASEBALL FEVER HIGH.

It is only a small matter of time until a National Colored Baseball League will be had by some of the larger cities of the country. This season seems to warrant that fact because of the success some of the States have had with minor leagues. Recently Mr. Conrad Kuebler, owner of the St. Louis, Mo., Giants, organized a league consisting of six teams in and around St. Louis, and that league has been wonderfully successful financially. The same might be said of the Ohio State League, comprising Columbus, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Dayton, Springfield and Xenia, which was organized through the efforts of William H. Ford and Andrew Williams. These leagues are very successful, because they guarantee professional ball playing, and everybody wants to see first-class ball playing. At Cleveland only last week, at a Saturday game between Columbus and Cleveland, the attendance was over 700 strong. Suppose we were to have a National League. Don't you believe the attendance would be even stronger, and don't you think the idea even better? Of course these minor leagues are necessary, as they will aid both magnates and players in gaining the desired experience that is required.

In the effort to form a National League last winter it was seen that many of the towns mentioned were entirely out of place, and that many of its supporters were so inexperienced in the idea that they feared to venture even one step towards placing it in working order. The teachings that they may gain this season will be of much use to them in promoting a National League.

CORBETT SAYS GANS IS BRAINY FIGHTER.

"This man Gans I consider the master now. I put on the gloves with him one afternoon just before he boxed Erne. Some people wanted to find out whether he was there or not, and I told them after a while that there was nothing in the world he didn't know about the game. He is a cat in the ring, and knows the game from soup to nuts. Take it from me."

"Does a fighter need brains? Well, you can say for me that a fighter needs them more than a ball player does; and you can imagine what a fine thing a brainless shortstop would be in a close game of ball, can't you?" piped Jim Corbett one night last week at Detroit, as he leaned back in his big Thomas Flyer, smoking a large Perfecto.

"Why, certainly, they are smart fellows. Look at those who have the great names—Tommy Ryan, Kid McCoy, Joe Gans, Jack O'Brien, Young Corbett, Frank Erne—oh, and any number of other big fellows.

"No, I didn't include Fitzsimmons and Terry McGovern. I consider those two natural fighters. They knew without learning all about the game, and were right at home in any sort of going. Fitz was a cunning fellow, and if he had been schooled when he was young I think he'd have been as smart as any of them, as he picked things up as fast as they came his way.

"There are bruisers and sluggers, you know, who never will amount to anything, who rely upon brute strength and one wallop. I can't dope them at all. For a brainy fighter they are the easiest men in the world to beat. I don't think that I was the smart Aleck of the bunch, but for mine I always wanted the big, husky fellow who wanted to get one wallop over. You can dope them out in a round—learn their speed, their one wallop, their little tricks, and then pepper them blind.

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THE A. B. C.'S GROW STRONGER.

With the changing this season of the A. B. C. team of this city, it can be seen that it was for the best. The team is now one of the strongest in the country. The pitching staff, with the recent addition of Lewis Johnson, of Memphis, Tenn., has been placed in the front ranks along with other professional teams. This season ought to be a record breaking one for Manager Butler and his gallant crew.

WINGS OF CLIPPERS ARE CLIPPED.

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CHARLESTON, W. Va.—The Charleston and Institute baseball teams played an exciting game before one of the largest crowds ever assembled here for an athletic event.

Up to the eighth inning the game was of the A No. 1 class. Both clubs showed up in fine form, the weather being ideal for the players, but rather uncomfortable for the spectators, who were exposed to the blazing sun. For three innings neither side was able to score, Charleston sending a man across the home plate in the first half of the fourth. Institute tied the score their next time at bat, getting in four more runs during the next three inn ings, while Charleston added two.

Then it was that the slaughter began. Charleston had acquitted itself with credit till now, if the unnecessary delays occasioned by their all too frequent tendency to dispute decisions be overlooked. The contest so far was a battle royal between the pitchers, both of whom had excellent support.

A long squabble over a decision of Umpire J. M. Ellis, in the last half of the eighth, ensued, and the Charleston boys, who appeared to have gotten into a blue funk, lost their heads. Fumbles came so frequently that one would have thought they were a lot of beginners in the art of juggling, trying a difficult feat for the first time. The ball was in the hands of every player of the infield on a single play, and no out was recorded. Institute took advantage of the confusion and piled up three runs, making the score 8 to 3 in their favor, which practically ended the game.

Individually there was little to choose between the two clubs, but Institute far surpassed the Clippers in team work, and their pitcher, "Country" Poindexter, had a shade the better of Ford, who did the twirling for Charleston.

LONDON DISPATCH SAYS JOHNSON GIVES UP

LONDON, June 15.—Jack Johnson, the American colored fighter, has given up all hope of getting a match with Tommy Burns. Burns has refused every proposition to fight Johnson. The National Sporting Club has offered a $7,500 purse for a fight between Johnson and Marvin Hart, the Kentucky scrapper, to take place in September.

After this fight Johnson will follow Burns to Australia in a further attempt to get on a match with him.

Another fight between Burns and Jem Roche is likely. The sporting syndicate headed by Dick Croker, former Tammany leader, which backed Roche before, believes that the Irishman was insufficiently trained for his first go with Burns, and is willing to put up some money for a second bout.

AN EASY MARK FOR WALCOTT.

At Springfield, O., on Thursday night, June 11, Joe Walcott disposed of Charley Kemp, of that city, in the fifth round of what was to have been a ten-roud go. Kemp was a novice in the hands of Walcott, who played with his man for three rounds. Kemp's efforts were so feeble that Walcott could walk away from him and laugh.

Joe tried to dispose of his opponent in the fourth, but he managed to last the round out by clinching. In the fifth his seconds tossed a towel into the ring.

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

Mrs. Frances Smith is visiting relatives in Versailles, Ky.

Charles Monzon of Washington, D. C., is spending sometime in the city.

Miss Beatrice R. James, of Chicago is in the city for a ewo week's visit.

Miss Eva Miller has returned from Noblesville, Ind., after a week's visit.

James Green, state grand master of the U. B. of F. left for Chicago, Saturday.

Mrs. J, B. Monroe, of Cincinnati, O., is the guest of Mrs. G. L. Knox, this week.

The marriage of George L. Edwards and Miss Bertha Hudson took place last Monday.

Mrs. Mary Mays has gone to Wilber force, O., to attend the commencement exercises.

Mrs. Gabriel Jones, entertained in honor of her son's graduation, last Tuesday night.

Miss Beulah Porter returned from Wilberforce Unversity where she been attending school.

Mrs. Jennie Gibson, of La Grange Ky., will be the guest of Mrs. Annie Webber next week.

Charles Lewis, well-known about the city has excepted a position with Mr. Archie Greathouse.

Mrs. Ida Brown-Miller, of Chicago, spent several days this week visiting her mother who has been ill.

Mrs Ida Mae White and Mrs. John Samples of Cincinnati, O., are the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Sykes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Benson of Mt. Vernon, Ind., were in the city for a few days visiting old friends this week.

The corner-stone laying of Mt. Zion Baptist church occured last Sunday at the cornor of Fayette and Eleventh streets.

The C. W. P. A. entertained in hono of the graduates of Manuel Training and Shortridge High Schools, last Monday evening.

Mesdames Malissa Mason and Hattye Williams of Connersville are in the city attending the missionary conference at Simpson Chapel.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dixon, associate matron will represent Leah Chapter No. 2, O. E. S. at the Grand Chapter at South Bend, June 23.

Tomorrow the pastor and members of Phillips Chapel M, E. church on Drake street near West, will have their opening of their new church.

The L. O. G. club gave an entertainment at the residence of the Misses Carrie and Sarah Boyer in North Senate avenue, Friday night.

Communion services will be held at Simpson Chapel Sunday afternoon. Rev. McMullen of Jones Tabernacle, will deliver the sermon.

"Jephthah and His Daughter" will be presented at Simpson Chapel June 24, under the auspices of the Junior League and Sunday School.

The Ladies Guild of St. Philips Mission will give a lawn fete at the residence of Mrs. Fannie Lanier Thursday evening June 25, 722 N. West street.

Mrs. George W. Dungey, state grand lecturer for the Calanthe Courts, left Wednesday morning for Frankfort, Terre Haute and other points on official business.

William McDonald, of Canada, an interperter of Italian, French, German and Spanish is in the city, He leaves in a few days with a French family for Philadelphia where they are going on a shopping tour to Wannamaker's store.

Bishop A. Grant will occupy the pulpit at Allen Chapel tomorrow morning. At the evening services Rev. T. E. Wilson of Wilkesbarre, Pa., wlll deliver the sermon.

The Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign, Missionary State convention will be held in this city, at the Metropolitan Baptist church, next week beginning Thursday, June 25.

The Iron League Club and the Toussaint Giants will cross bats tomorrow morning at 9;30 at the Northwestern Park. A fast game is expected as both teams are cracks among amatuers.

The death of Frank Ross occured this week at his home in Camp street after an illness of several months of tuberculosis. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mitchell at the Metropolitantan Baptist church, Tuesday.

St John's Day services will be observed by the five Masonic lodges in their hall on Delaware and Court streets Wednesday evening June 24 at 8 p. m. The Grand Lecturer Prof. James H. Williams will deliver an address. All Master Masons in and out of the city are invited. F. D. Patridge, general committee.

For James G. Green

Thursday evening, June 11, Mrs. Sophie Butler president of the Gold Star Club gave a reception in honor of Jamee G. Green, State Grand Master of the U. B. of F. and S. M. T., at her home 1430 Mill street. After a musical program was rendered a gavel was presented by Mrs. Cora B. Jackson in a happy little speech on behalf of the club immediately afterwords a four course dinner was served.

M. E. Missionary Society Meets.

The eighth annual convention of the Women's Home Missionary Society of the Lexington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church opened a three day's session at Simpson Chapel Wednesday morning. Nearly 150 women representing the five Conference districts, including the States of Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana, were in atteudance. Mrs. J. T. Leggett, of Rushville, is the president of the several districts, and Mrs. L. M. Hagood is president of the local society. Mrs. M. A. Sissle, of Cleveland, O., third vice-president Mrs. A. E. Stanley, Flemingsburg, Ky, Mrs. M. E. Ramey, Rushville, Ind., Mfs. J. W. Stovall, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. C. D. C. Mebane, Paris, Ky,, are among the number. Mrs. Erma Harrington made the address of welcome and the response was given by Mrs. Lulu F. Allen, of Covington.

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PHOENIX, ARIZ.

The Afro-American Club opened its doors June 5. The club is composed of the leading citizens. Its object is to keep the young colored men off the streets and furnish a home for all respectable strangers. The officers are as follows: Perry Payne, president; Frank Shirley, secretary and treasurer; Frank Turner, Frank Hawkins, Robert Stevens, house committee; Guy Stills, steward; —— Brown, chef....Rev. James Washington, of the A. M. E. Church, was given a very desirable surprise on the 10th by members of his church, and especially Mr. Charles Smith, who raised the collection to buy the minister a new suit of clothes. After ice cream and cake were served, Mr. Smith presented the clothes in a few well-chosen words. Rev. Washington was taken very much by surprise, but responded with that true Christian spirit. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. McClure, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Steel, Mr. and Mrs. McGuinn, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Louis, Mrs. Theodore Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. George White, Misses Lucy Griffin, Virginia Gonzalos, Pearl McKinney, Messrs. James and Edgar Robinson and Zano Washington....Fred Gardner, our colored politician, has triumphed over his many white enemies. The political condition is in a very peculiar state at this place. Mr. Gardner controls the better part of the Mexican vote, and they cannot elect without that vote. The Democratic papers and one of the Republican papers and a fraction of the Republican party fought him, and went even so far as to try to raise hatred and to break his hold on the Mexican vote, but they were not successful....Miss Abbie Johnson left for her former home, Akron, O., June 5. Miss Johnson has been the companion of Mrs. John E. Louis the last two years....Chas. Walker, of Tucson, Ariz., is one of our newcomers....Wm. Fouler, of the Hoffman, left to take charge of the Country Club, as steward, at Riverside, Cal....Mr. Cook, one of our barbers, is seriously sick at his home on Jefferson street....Edward Noble has been confined to his home the last several days on account of sickness....A party was given in honor of Miss Abbie Johnson, June 3, in honor of her departure for home, June 5....One of the next young ladies to leave us will be Miss Maggie Ullery, one of our most brilliant young ladies, who goes to her home at Ft. Smith, Ark....Chas. Walker, of Tucson, and Mr. and Mrs. Barnett, Ft. Smith, Ark., are recent arrivals....Sylvester Vaughn, of Prescott, Ariz., was down on President Murphy's private car, of the Santa Fe.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Sunday, June 14, was Children's Day at the A. M. E. Church. The following program was rendered: Invocation, by Rev. B. S. Williams; chant, vested choir; baritone solo, "The Heavenly Son," by W. B. Jones; reading selection, Mrs. Hines; song, "Calvary," by Mrs. Albertia Mason; oration, by Mr. S. D. Wiggins; bass solo, "Garden of Life, by Mr. W. R. Woods; reading; duet and chorus, vested choir; response, by Dr. J. H. Howard, president of the Magic City Bank; solo and chorus, vested choir; collection; Mrs. M. K. Hardaway, accompanist; Rev. B. S. Williams, pastor; Mr. W. R. Woods, chorister....Prof. Charles C. Henderson and wife have returned to Hattiesburg for permanent residence....Mrs. J. E. Tuncel, one of the A. M. E. ex-organists, filled the place of Miss Willie McCarty at Mt. Carmel, who was ill for two weeks, but able to be out again....Miss Maud Boughton, of the Campbell School, is spending her vacation with her mother.

MINEOLA, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

We have had plenty of rain in this part of the country....Sandy Anderson's horse was bitten by a snake last week....R. M. Jones is filling orders for country produce, as usual....The people of Mineola heard good preaching last Saturday, on the streets....William Hall, of Crow, was with us last week....A. Reece is in the restaurant business....Mineola has one bakery shop.

CANON CITY, COLO.

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Rev. L. W. Harris, pastor of the Mount Olive Baptist Church, preached a sermon for the G. A. R., Sunday, June 14. Rev. Harris is a very able speaker....Miss Lanada and Anna L. Moore and Moody Bruton have returned home from Quindaro, Kans., where they have spent a successful year. Miss Lanada Moore was a member of the college orchestra, and is an accomplished violinist.

TUSCALOOSA, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A large crowd gathered on the bank of the Warrior river, Sunday afternoon, June 7, to witness the baptism of a large number of converts, conducted by Rev. J. H. Smith, pastor of the First African Baptist Church....Chas. Mitchell, an old Tuscaloosa boy, who has resided in Texas for a number of years, visited his mother, Mrs. Lucy Mitchell, last week....Rev. W. E. Hutchinson, professor of theology at the Stillman Theological Institute, occupied the pulpit of the A. M. E. Zion Church Sunday evening, June 8....Mrs. M. C. Johnson suffered a very painful accident recently, being knocked down and run over by a horse. Her foot is painfully injured, though at this time it is impossible for the doctor to ascertain if any bones are broken....Prof. and Mrs. B. H. Barnes spent a few days in Birmingham last week....Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Crawford entertained a whist party Thursday evening of last week, in honor of their sister, Mrs. L. H. Foster....Rev. N. R. Rhodes was in Birmingham last week....Wallace Slaughter has opened a cafe in the building formerly occupied by Wiley Tucker....Dr. G. A. Weaver made a trip to Birmingham last week....Miss Callie Williamson, teacher in the Agricultural Normal and Industrial School at Enfield, N. C., is visiting her cousins, Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Weaver....Miss Georgia Jones is at home for the summer from Talladega College....Miss Emily Moore, instructor in music at the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, was in the city for a few days last week, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Howard L. Goins....A jolly party of young ladies and gentlemen spent a social afternoon at the Union Baseball Park Monday, June 8....Miss Willie Taylor, a teacher in the Haines Normal and Industrial Institute, Augusta, Ga., is at home for vacation....Luffboro Yancey is at home for the summer from Lincoln University, Philadelphia....Miss Margaret Ward, who has been attending school at Demopolis, has returned home for the summer....Henry Benson is at home from the Blind School at Talladega....The Three Times Ten Club met last week with Mrs. Linka Edmonds....Roland L. Douglass attended the grand session of Royal Arch Masons at Montgomery last week.

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